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PLANTS arrived at Japanese store on Douglas street. ja27

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LOST—Between Carr street and R.E. Church, a silver topped hair comb. Finder will be rewarded on returning to 24 Carr street. ja27

F. ELWORTHY—Balance-sheets prepared, accounts audited, general agencies taken. Office, Board of Trade Building. au30 tf

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The following are the numbers of the debentures drawn for repayment at par on and after the 15th day of February next.
Interest thereon ceases on the 15th day of February next.
Fifty Debentures, numbers 87, 69, 56, 445, 234, 24, 204, 413, 224, 231, 175, 71, 373, 126, 402, 355, 157, 472, 47, 306, 203, 362, 84, 329, 193, 222, 403, 278, 315, 238, 189, 339, 347, 158, 364, 79, 3, 348, 257, 174, 137, 30, 97, 201, 350, 1, 251, 299, 172, 244.
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R. P. RITHET, Chairman.
F. W. VINCENT, Secretary.
[Countersigned.]
W. H. LANGLEY,
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Victoria, B.C., January 23rd, 1897. ja26

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Pickles in great variety.
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Cobbler Seat Rockers, solid oak	worth 9.00	now	6.50
Cobbler Seat Rockers, solid oak	worth 10.00	now	7.50
Carpet Sweepers	worth 3.50	now	2.75
Carpet Sweepers	worth 4.00	now	3.00
Brussels Carpet, per yard	worth 1.50	now	1.00
44-Piece Tea Sets	worth 6.00	now	4.00

Other lines too numerous to mention in the same proportion.
Goods must be cleared out to make room for our new Spring Stock.

The B.C. Furniture Co.
J. SEHL, Manager.

A dispatch to the Daily Mail says: The actual number of deaths from the plague is double the loose official estimate and the malady is spreading slowly but surely. There are daily reports of fresh outbreaks.

THE "DUCHESS" DEAD.

Russia Adopts Quick-Firing Guns—British Soldiers in Hospital in India.

London Papers Catch the "Manitoba Question"—Ship on Fire—Lifeboat Crew Drowned.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—A dispatch from St. Petersburgh to the Times, with reference to the rumor that Russia will spend 100,000,000 roubles in re-arming the artillery with the French quick firing guns, says: The report requires confirmation, but although the power of M. DeWitte, the minister of finance, opposes the idea, his opposition would be of little avail against the minister of war, General von Novsky.

A despatch to the Times from Teheran, Persia, reports that fourteen hundred bodies have been recovered from the ruins which resulted from the recent earthquake on the Island of Kishm, in the Persian gulf, the inhabitant of which were estimated to number 5,000, mostly Arabs.

The Secretary of State for India, Lord George Hamilton, replying in the House of Commons to questions based on the statement made in the Indian press that only 24,000 of the whole British garrison were free from contagious diseases in some shape or other, and that 522 per 1,000 of the troops were actually incapacitated by disease, admitted that there were 522 hospital cases per 1,000, but explained that this did not mean 522 men, the average permanent incapacitation being 46 per 1,000. He added that a department commission was now inquiring into the subject, and on the receipt of its report the government will carefully consider the whole question.

It is semi-officially announced in Paris that Baron De Mohrenheim, the Russian ambassador, has informed M. Hanataux, the minister for foreign affairs, that the Czar has ordered Count Muravioff, the newly appointed Russian minister of foreign affairs, to visit Paris so as to be presented to President Faure and enter into relations with the French ministers before returning to St. Petersburg. Count Muravieff will arrive in Paris on Thursday and he will be tendered a banquet at the palace of the Elysee.

Mrs. Margaret Hungerford died at her home yesterday, St Brenda's Bandon, County Cork. She has been suffering from typhoid fever. Mrs. Hungerford was one of the most popular of English authors, and even more popular in America than she is at home, if that is possible. Her nom de plume was adopted in an odd fashion. At a gathering of her friends she was announced as "The Duchess," the point of the joke being that a duchess is supposed to be a very august personage, whereas Mrs. Hungerford was a very tiny body. The novelist was married when very young, and her husband died six years after the marriage, leaving her with three girls. In 1883 she was married to Henry Hungerford, of Cahirmore. She is the mother of six tiny children, every one of whom bears a striking resemblance to the author of "Phyllis." Mrs. Hungerford was the daughter of the late Canon Hamilton, who was the rector of one of the oldest churches in Ireland.

The London newspapers give prominence to the proposed terms for the settlement of the Catholic school dispute in Manitoba and the probable action of the Pope, who is said to be considering compromise clauses of the question. Sir Donald Smith, the Canadian high commissioner, states that the agreement as published here does not reveal anything but what is already known and published in Canada.

Abbe Giraud has been elected deputy for Brest, to replace the late Mgr. D'Hulst. It was a three-cornered contest, the other candidates being the Compte de Blois, pure Royalist, and Dr. Loysel, Republican.

Ex-Capt. Guillot has been sentenced to five years in prison for selling military secrets to foreign powers.

The British tank steamer L'Oriflamme, Capt. Tucker, from Philadelphia for Rouen, which went aground January 20 above Honfleur, and which afterwards took fire, is still burning. She has 5,000 tons of petroleum on board and explosions are feared.

The Daily News announces that the Marquis of Dufferin, the retiring British ambassador to France, has accepted the presidency of a committee to celebrate at Bristol the 400th anniversary of Cabot's discovery of America.

The reported attempt of the insurgents in Cuba to capture General Weyler is declared in Madrid to be unfounded. According to a Havana dispatch, Capt.-General Weyler declares there are only a few rebels left in Havana and Matanzas provinces, and that they can be easily dispersed.

The American bark Haydn Brown, Captain Claxton, which left Trepani on December 30 for Gloucester, Mass., has arrived at Gibraltar with her sails and rigging damaged and her cargo slightly shifted. The British bark John O'Gaunt has been burned and sunk at Tocopilla. The captain perished, but all the others on board were saved.

While the crew of a lifeboat were trying to rescue the crew of a fishing boat in the North Sea off Hearborn, Jutland, the lifeboat capsized and all hands on board, twelve in number, were drowned.

The fragments of a human body have been found on the railway near St. Laurent. With the remains there was found a torn bill of the Hotel Universe of Nice. Only 20 centimes were found on the body. Inquiries show that the deceased was Mr. U. Lund, a merchant, of New York, and he is supposed to have committed suicide. His trunk bears numerous hotel marks, both of America and Europe.

Heavy wool ribbed underwear only 35 cents, at Freeman's old stand. x

MINING AT ROSSLAND.

Developments of Special Value—Nine Mines Regularly Shipping From the Camp.

ROSSLAND, Jan. 26.—(Special) — The Kootenay tunnel, which is now 400 feet long and 100 feet in on the Columbia ground, has opened up an eight-foot ore body. This is supposed to be the same chute opened in the Columbia tunnel above, from which shipments were made last year which yielded over $50 per ton.

The ore body in the bottom of the Monita shaft continues to improve in value. Assays for the last four days run from $40 to $125.

The ore body found west of the main chute in the Le Roi has now been drifted in some distance and has widened slightly. It now measures five feet between the walls and assays about $40 in gold and 10 per cent. in copper. This is the highest grade ore in copper ever found in the mine.

A double compartment shaft is being sunk from No. 2 tunnel of the War Eagle and is yielding astonishing assays since the new owners resumed work. The last obtained ran over $290, much the highest grade ore ever found in the mine.

According to the weekly reports of the Rossland Miner there are now nine regularly shipping mines in the camp.

Dan McMillan, 65 years old, a native of Antigonish, N.S., was frozen to death this morning. He missed his way home after attending the Burns' banquet. He has a niece in Boston who has been notified of his death.

THE MASSES IN INDIA

Only Saved From Starvation by Government Relief Works—Cattle Dying.

Prisons Full of Grain Thieves—A Government Inquiry Advocated in the Commons.

BIJAPAR, Presidency of Bombay, Jan. 26.—The special correspondent of the Associated Press, who is visiting the distressed provinces of India, has arrived at Bijapar, about 245 miles southeast of Bombay, and finds in this district the keenest distress, especially among the people of the lower castes. The latter are on the verge of starvation and are only saved from it by the government relief work, which enables them to earn enough money to at least keep body and soul together while awaiting the brighter state of affairs which recent rains are expected to provide later in the year.

It is estimated that fully one-tenth of the cattle in this district have already perished from lack of food, and the number will undoubtedly be considerably increased between now and the advent of the new crops. In the fields can be seen lying numbers of carcases of animals devoured by vultures, and there are many gangs of robbers engaged in pillaging the grain stores whenever an opportunity arises. The prisons are full of thieves who have been captured while stealing grain or in attempting to do so.

Among the masses there are many cases of illness arising from lack of proper nourishment, and it is regarded as certain that cholera will reach this district sooner or later, owing to the carelessness of the people who dread being taken to the hospitals provided for their care, believing that they are certain to die within a fortnight if they enter a hospital. Beyond doubt the utmost resources of the government will be taxed before long in the efforts which will have to be made to cope with the steadily increasing distress.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, at the opening of parliament a week ago, was resumed in the House of Commons to-day. After a lengthy discussion upon the plague, famine and Indian finances, the House of Commons finally voted the address to the Queen.

The amendment of Sir William Wedderburn, Bart., member from Banffshire, Radical, who has lived a great time in India and who presided over the fifth Indian National Congress at Bombay, calling for a minute independent inquiry into condition of the masses, was rejected by a vote of 217 to 90. Sir William Wedderburn contended that the people were in a state of chronic destitution, asserting that the cause of the evil were the usurers, the system of taxation and the civic courts, which, he added, were unsuitable for Indian intelligence.

During the debate Mr. Mancherjee Bhowanagree, member for the Northeast division of Bethnal Green, Conservative (representative of what may be termed the anti-Congress party of India), opposed the amendment upon the ground that it would excite discontent in India.

Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India, said that the amendment emanated from the Indian national congress, which, he explained, always attacked the British nation. Continuing the secretary of state for India said that the inquiry as proposed was impracticable. He maintained that the state of the masses in India had improved of late years, but he admitted that the present famine offered occasion for an inquiry.

Sir Henry Fowler, Liberal member for East Wolverhampton (who was Secretary of State for India in 1894) expressed the hope that if the famine entailed excessive charges upon the Indian government the Imperial parliament would vote it aid.

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INDIAN RELIEF FUND.

Cordial Co-operation of the Governor-General Solicited—The Premier's Movements.

The "Citizen" Wins a Libel Suit—Success of the Electric Railway Co.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—His Excellency received the subjoined message to-night:

"The central committee of the Indian famine fund, Calcutta, earnestly solicits your cordial co-operation. There is the highest possible scope for private benevolence outside the state relief system. The area and numbers affected are enormous, and the distress is rapidly increasing. I feel sure the unavoidable privations of millions of industrious poor will arouse the profound sympathy of all classes and all nations. We make an urgent appeal to organize a relief fund, and will be deeply grateful for contributions, which will be publicly acknowledged.

"(Signed) SIR FRANCIS MACLEAN,
"Chief Justice of Bengal, and chairman committee, Calcutta.

The Premier left for Montreal this afternoon to make arrangements for Madame Laurier's departure for California to-morrow.

Coroner Freeland was worsted in his libel suit against the Ottawa Citizen, having to pay all the costs. Some time ago he and Coroner Mark quarrelled over a body. The citizen headed its article "A Ghoulish Dispute"; Freeland took offence thereat, tried the law and now pays the piper.

The Ottawa Electric Railway Co. had a grand year in 1896; carried four million and a half pay passengers. The gross receipts were $212,105; net profits $67,745, and a dividend of 8 per cent. was declared.

DOINGS OF THE DOMINION.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

Helping the Famine-Stricken.

TORONTO, Jan. 26.—Money is coming in from all over the province for the India famine fund. The C.P.R. added a thousand dollars to-day. Special cables announce that the press of Great Britain is mentioning with satisfaction Canada's efforts to aid fellow-British subjects.

Curfew By-Law in Hamilton.

HAMILTON, Jan. 26.—The council will enforce the curfew by-law.

Tariff Committee in Winnipeg.

ST. JOHN, Jan. 26.—The tariff committee selected by the Ottawa government to gather information from business men, workingmen and others regarding the duties to be incorporated in the proposed revision of the tariff resumed its sessions to-day.

Town Wiped Out.

SHELBURNE, Ont., Jan. 26.—The whole business side of the town was wiped out by fire this morning; loss, $100,000.

FRIGHTFUL EXPLOSION.

Fire at Berlin Gas Company's Works—Several Fatalities—Recovery of Other Victims Doubtful.

BERLIN, Ont., Jan. 26.—A fire which has already resulted in one fatality, and through which other lives may be lost, happened here this evening at 7:30. Two frightful explosions were heard from the Gas Company's works and the next instant the whole building was a roaring mass of flames. Those who arrived first on the scene found F. Carl. Breataup, manager of the Gas Company, lying on the low roof of the shed adjoining the burning building. He was removed to Dr. Bolby's residence in an unconscious state and his recovery is very doubtful. A workman named Weller was found in an unconscious state near the building, and his recovery is also doubtful. By this time the firemen had got their hose into operation and while at work they were startled by hearing cries for help from the burning mass. Two firemen rushed into the teeth of the flames while others turned the hose on them, and by this means they were enabled to get at the imprisoned man. Before they got him out he was dead. He was William Aldrich, the electrician. It is not known what caused the explosion.

THAT ENGRAVING CONTRACT.

Objection Taken to the Government Work Being Given to Americans.

OTTAWA, Jan. 26.—The employes of the British-American Bank Note Co. waited on the Premier to-day and asked that, on account of the contract for Dominion engraving going to the American Bank Note Co., of New York, their interests, if possible, should be protected, and work obtained for them with the new company. They did not think it right to import Americans to do their work. Hon. Mr. Laurier promised to look into the matter and give attention to their representations.

"WILL CONTINUE TO FIGHT."

Archbishop Langevin Reiterates That the School Settlement Is Not Satisfactory.

MONTREAL, Jan. 26.—Archbishop Langevin reiterates the statement that the Laurier-Greenway settlement of the school question is not acceptable to the minority, and has declared that he will continue to fight until entire justice has been rendered.

INTENSELY COLD WAVE

Zero Weather Prevails From the Atlantic to the Rocky Mountains.

Chicago's Bitter Experiences—Missouri River Frozen Solid—Great Loss of Cattle.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The weather bureau ordered storm signals up all along the Atlantic coast from New York city to Eastport. The reports received by the weather bureau show the intense cold wave to be general over the entire United States, and there are no indications of relief within the next twenty-four hours. The temperature has fallen considerably in the Southern and Middle Atlantic states, and it has risen slowly in the Missouri and Upper Mississippi valley, and over the greater portion of the lake regions. It continues below zero as far south as the Ohio valley, and it is below freezing on the Texas coast and general in the interior of the Gulf states. The weather is generally clear to-night except in the St. Lawrence valley, the Gulf states and Central Rocky mountain districts, where local snows are reported.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Local Weather Observer Dunn says there is no break in the cold wave, and this morning zero weather covers all the country from Pennsylvania westward to the Rocky Mountains. There has been but little change in the temperature during the last twenty-four hours except that it has become colder in the gulf states, warmer over the lower lake regions, New England states and Canada. Light snow is reported from eastern sections of Canada and at Galveston, Texas.

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—Only one death from cold has been reported to the police up to noon yesterday, that of Fred A. Busch, five years old, who succumbed to exposure. The ambulance, however, was kept busy conveying people to the hospitals with feet and hands frozen. George Grant was found in a freight car near North street almost dead, with his feet badly frozen. They will have to be amputated. The work of clearing the down-town streets of snow has been abandoned on account of the intense cold. Many men had no gloves or overcoats and nearly every hand was frost-bitten.

The mean temperature yesterday was 15 degrees below zero, which is quite the lowest Chicago ever experienced. While there have been days when the temperature in Chicago was 20 below or lower, the minimum temperatures upon those occasions have been so much higher than the maximum temperature that the dubious distinction of being the coldest day in the history of the city will remain with January 25, 1897.

Only one time do the records of the weather bureau show that the thermometer reached a lower point than yesterday. That was on December 24, 1872, when it reached 23 below. But it lasted only the briefest time. Then the temperature rose to 4 above zero, making the average for the day much warmer than yesterday, when the change from 20 to 10 was slow. It took nine hours for the mercury to climb up 10 points.

On account of the intense cold Sunday Lake Michigan presented a beautiful sight. Clouds of vapor, caused by the difference of temperature between the atmosphere and the surface of the water were driven from shore by the high westerly wind and swept eastward in great sheets. As far as the eye could reach, from north to south, the phenomenon was observed. At times this vapor would roll upward in coiling masses not unlike that seen in geyser regions, and the remark was frequently heard, "the lake is boiling." Windows of residences fronting on the lake were filled most of the day with people who never seemed to tire of watching the beautiful and ever-changing scene. The heavy fog which enveloped the down-town district made the cold dangerous. Frozen fingers, noses and ears were common occurrences, and numerous cases of a more serious character were reported.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Ia., Jan. 26.—Last night was the coldest of the year, 18 below. The Missouri river is frozen solid.

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 26.—The minimum thermometer was 23 yesterday morning. This is the official observation at Washburn observatory. The phenomenon is that while ice is a foot thick in some places in the local lakes, other places are open. Nothing like it has been known here before.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 26.—Monday night was bitterly cold. The mercury stood at zero all night. The wind blew forty-four miles an hour. Reports from Western New York indicate that the mercury dropped below zero in many exposed places.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 26.—The lowest temperature at St. Louis Monday night was 1 below zero. At 1 a.m. it was zero. At Guthrie, Oklahoma, the worst blizzard for years raged, the thermometer falling more than 70 degrees at midnight. In Texas the snowfall is the heaviest of the season and the cold intense.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 26.—The lowest temperature reached here Monday night was 30 below, the coldest for three years. There was a cold wind very difficult to face.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 26.—This part of the southwest has experienced the coldest weather of the season. A terrific north wind generally prevailed, but there was no snow. Great loss of cattle is reported. The weather bureau at 9:30 a.m. to-day reports 3 degrees below zero.

THE GREAT LAKES.

Uncertainty as to What Will Be Recommended Regarding Deep Water Ways.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The committee on foreign affairs of the house, yesterday decided unanimously to report the resolution introduced by Representative Smith of Michigan, calling on the state department for information as to the present status of the treaty by which the United States and Great Britain are restrained from building or maintaining vessels on the Great Lakes.

"I cannot tell," said Senator McMillan to-day, "until after the meeting of the commerce committee on Thursday next what action, if any, will be recommended by that committee in regard to the recent report of the commission appointed to investigate the subject of a deep waterway between the Great Lakes and the ocean. I am, however, inclined to believe that it is so late in the session that nothing will be done by the present congress."

PHILADELPHIA FIRE.

Wanamaker's Big Dry Goods Establishment Destroyed—Loss About Three Million Dollars.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 26.—The biggest fire that has visited this city in years is now raging in the block bounded by Thirteenth, Juniper, Market and Filbert streets. The flames originated in the basement of Hanscomb Bros. big grocery store at 1,317 Market street. The flames quickly jumped to Bennet's restaurant on the east and and the big umbrella store of Hirsch Bros. on the west. All the buildings were six stories high, and nothing but the walls are standing. The cloak store of Blum Bros., adjoining Hirsch Bros., is now on fire, and cannot be saved. The flames communicated to the eight-story building of Dunlap Bros., fancy painters, 1,316 and 1,318 Filbert street.

The roof and tower of John Wanamaker's big dry goods store on the south side of Market, nearly opposite the fire, is ablaze, and the firemen have turned their attention to saving the biggest dry goods house in America. The weather is bitterly cold and this renders the work of the firemen more difficult. A general alarm has been sent in, but there are several small fires in other parts of the city and the entire department cannot be got together as yet.

At 10 a.m. the fire in Wanamaker's is confined to the Market street end and unless something unforseen occurs the flames will do comparatively little damage to that immense structure. The big ornamental tower at the 13th and Market streets corner of the store is completely gutted. The tower contained a handsome clock and a chime of bells. These fell with a great crash through to the basement. At 9 a.m., the roof of the building, which covers the large block bounded by Chestnut, Market, 13th and Juniper streets was filled with city firemen and members of Wanamaker's fire brigade. Mr. Wanamaker was on the scene early this morning, before the high wind carried the flames across Market street from the building in which the fire originated, to his store. At the present time the employes number 4,200 people.

As many of the men in this army of employes as were of use in fighting the flames were admitted to the store. The admirable precautions, that the inflammable nature of the structure made necessary, made the work of the trained brigade effective. Mr. Wanaker said to an Associated Press Reporter at 9:30 a.m.: "The fire is confined to the Market street end of the store, and three hours after the firemen are out of the place seven-eighths of the store will be ready for business. Mr. Wanamaker was the least concerned man in the great crowd, as he quietly went from one part of the establishment to another directing the movements of his employes. In the meanwhile the firemen were having their hands full confining the flames to the block in which the fire originated. At 9:30 a.m. between fifteen and twenty structures, some of immense size, had been completely gutted. Shortly after 9 o'clock two firemen were hurt by a falling wall.

About thirty buildings were destroyed and the money loss will reach nearly $3,000,000.

While the fire was at its height an employe of the carpet firm of Ivins Dietz & Co., whose building is a block below that devastated by the flames on Market street, was overcome by the excitement and suddenly dropped dead. James Furlong, proprietor of a saloon on the corner of Juniper and Filbert streets, is critically ill of pneumonia. When the flames began to eat their way to his place, a squad of firemen carried him from his bed into Blake street to a near-by hotel. The excitement and shock may cost him his life. Shortly before noon a second fireman was injured. He is William Gorman, aged 32 years, assistant foreman of company No. 1. He was struck by falling bricks and timbers and badly hurt about the arms and neck.

SERIOUS FIRES.

JOLIET, Ill., Jan. 26.—The Economy Light and Power Company's plant was destroyed by fire, causing a loss of $150,000. As a result the city was in darkness last night.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—Three alarms were turned in shortly after 9 o'clock this morning for a fire in a five-story brick building at 27 and 27 Pearl street.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Jan. 27.—The whole business portion of Pacific Junction, Iowa, was destroyed by fire early this morning. The blaze started in a grocery, and altogether about 22 or 23 buildings were destroyed, including the Pacific hotel and Odd Fellows' hall.

NATIONAL BOARD OF TRADE.

Election of President—The Arbitration Treaty Approved by the Members.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—The National Board of Trade at its first session to-day re-elected as president Hon. Frederick Fraley of Pennsylvania. Governor Stannard of St. Louis was elected temporary chairman. After a number of routine matters had been disposed of the following resolutions were unanimously adopted, approving and urging the ratification of the treaty of arbitration between the United States and Great Britain. The board by resolutions, decided to attend in a body the arbitration meeting to be held in the Grand opera house here this afternoon.

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HEAD
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The sale of this property has been postponed till THURSDAY, the 4th day of FEBRUARY, 1897, at 12 noon.

Dated this 6th day of January, A.D. 1897.

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Pure Eucalyptus Oil..... 35c.
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THE STOCK MARKET.

Movement in New York Irregular, Closing Strong—London Quiet With a Good Tone.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—To-day's movement in stocks was irregular, but a firm tone was discernible in spite of the light volume of business. In the general list the Grangers and some of the high priced industrials were well supported. Slight reactions occurred in the forenoon on profit taking and the market afterward became intensely dull. The apathy of speculation was relieved in the final hour by heavy Washington purchases of stocks said to be inspired by the more favorable outlook for the international arbitration treaty. London houses sold moderate amounts of low priced shares but at the same time bought a considerable aggregate amount of speculative bonds. The market closed firm with net fractional gains. Closing prices:

Jersey Central	99⅛
St. Paul, Minneapolis & Ohio	50¾
Delaware & Hudson	107¼
New York Central	93¼
Northern Pacific	13¼
" " (preferred)	33¾
Southern Pacific	14¾
Western Union	84⅛
Commercial Cable	168⅛
C. P. R. in London	55¾

The Evening Post's financial article says: "The stock markets here were quiet to-day, but with rather a good tone which on the eve of settlement looks well. The settlement of mines to-day way a small affair of no account. Argentines were strong. Americans tended to keep above the New York parity, closing steady. Although the details of the Union Pacific scheme are not fully understood, I understand that following the action of leading New York financiers, a portion of the guarantee fund offered here has practically been underwritten. The Paris and Berlin markets were firm."

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Annual Meetings of the Dairyman's and Fruit Growers' Associations.

By kind permission of His Worship the Mayor, the meeting of the Dairyman's Association will take place on Thursday, the 28th inst., and of the Fruit Growers' Association on Friday and Saturday the 29th and 30th inst., at the Council Chamber of the City Hall, in this city. Free return fares will be granted by the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company from the 27th to 31st inclusive, on certificates of attendance, signed by either of the Secretaries, being presented.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED.

Victoria, 22nd January, 1897. ja23

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Fruit Growers' Association of B.C., will be held in Victoria on Friday, the 29th day of January, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

T. G. EARL, President.
ja6-d w A. H. B. MACGOWAN, Secretary.

Advertisements under the heads of Lost, Found For Sale or To Let and Situations Wanted will be inserted at the rate of one cent a word each insertion. Payment always in advance. No advertisement received for less than twenty-five cents.

WANTS.

WANTED—Situation by an experienced girl as general help. Z.I.W., Colonist. ja26

BOY wanted on farm; $10 and board; state age and experience. W., Colonist office. ja26

WANTED—Letter press, foolscap size, must be in good order and cheap. Address "B," P.O. box 592. ja24

WANTED—Teacher, male; for Sidney school. Applications will be received until the 10th February; duties to commence 1st March. J. J. White, Secretary. ja23

WANTED—An experienced nurse for young baby. Apply T., Colonist office. ja14

RELIABLE sober man, 9 years' in Victoria with best of references; is willing to give his services at a very low rate for a steady job; indoor work preferred. Address W.G., this office. ja3

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MISCELLANEOUS.

SEVERAL house servants can be supplied on calling Japanese Employment Office, No 5 Government street. ja12

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Chinese Festivities Stopped at Vancouver—Trades and Labor Platform—Murder at Pavilion.

Meeting at Qualicum — Chemainus Events—Mild Weather in the Interior—The Usual Strikes.

(Special to the COLONIST.)

VANCOUVER.

VANCOUVER, Jan. 26.—The contract for building the Phoenix cannery at Dixon's Point has been let. The cannery will be run on the co-operative plan.

Bert Shallon, of the steamer Charmer, has become a partner with A. Ross in the Real Estate saloon.

The funeral of the late John Moss, brother of the late Chief Justice Moss, took place yesterday to the Vancouver cemetery. The funeral was largely attended.

N. C. Schou last night presented an anti-Chinese petition to the council for signature and seal. The matter was laid over, after Ald. Pointer and Shaw had warned the council against taking such a hostile step against China.

The Trades and Labor Council have presented their platform of municipal reform. The following are some of the planks: No qualification for municipal officers; exemption for improvements; eight hours a day's labor; a recreation ground at Stanley park; the publication of the city accounts. The matter was laid over.

A deputation from the Woman's Council interviewed the city council last evening, asking that a ward for the temporary lodgment of the insane, and a woman's ward be built to the hospital, and to have the charter amended so that women should be elegible to run for school trustees.

The usual permission to Chinese to celebrate their New Year has been refused by the council, owing no doubt to the anti Chinese wave which is sweeping over Vancouver.

A strong memorial dealing with the question of a railway from the Coast to Kootenay, will be signed and sealed by the council and sent to Ottawa.

Excitement has been aroused in mining circles here by an attack in the "Statist," of London, Eng., on the system of floating British Columbia mining companies by means of non-assessable stock issued at big discounts.

The Statist gibbets a number of these companies by name, and adds that it learns that Eastern Canada is being inundated by doubtful undertakings thus financed. It warns British investors that though there is much gold in British Columbia, they must be uncommonly careful of investing in British Columbia mines, even if high names appear on the directorates.

Opinion here among conservative mining men favors the abandonment of the method of a large nominal capitalization of mines with shares issued at a discount, and many hope that provincial legislation will put an end to this difficulty.

Meanwhile mining operations are steadily developing within easy reach of Vancouver, and almost within the city limits boring for coal will immediately begin, whilst opposite the city, in North Vancouver, many prospectors are busy at work on free milling gold claims, the permanent value of which is as yet unascertained. There is, however, no doubt as to the richness and extent of the gold and copper deposits of Jervis Inlet and Phillip's Arm, both coast districts within easy reach by water of Vancouver.

CHEMAINUS.

CHEMAINUS, Jan. 25.—Rev. Solomon Cleaver, of the Metropolitan Methodist church, Victoria, delivered a lecture in the new Methodist church on the 18th instant. The subject, "The Conquest of Mexico," was very interesting and instructive.

The concert announced for the 14th instant was largely attended and $10 realized.

Mr. Nicholas, Indian missionary at Duncan, paid a visit to the Chemainus rancherie on Tuesday last.

Rev. Mr. Hicks, of Victoria G.S.J.T., was present at a session of the lodge at Chemainus Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. Mr. Welsh, Baptist minister, held service in the new hall Sunday evening.

QUALICUM.

QUALICUM, Jan. 18.—A representative public meeting held at the Qualicum school-house on January 16 unanimously passed a resolution requesting the Provincial Government to erect a wharf at that place. It was pointed out at the meeting by Messrs. James Clarkson, J. Hanna, William Pillar, J. P., Henry Lee and others that, besides furnishing means of communication for some 30 or 40 settlers, some of whom are at present dependent upon the most uncertain ways of obtaining supplies, while others are at a great distance from the wharf, it would also serve the gold mines around Cameron Lake and at Qualicum. There is much good land in this neighborhood which would be settled if supplies could be obtained more easily. The wharf could be built in a sheltered bay, free from rocks, with a sandy bottom apparently good for pile-driving. Its cost will not be excessive, considering that no connecting road is needed, as it is on the Comox main road and in direct communication with the Alberni main road, being the nearest point on the East Coast to Alberni.

CARIBOO.

(From the B.C. Mining Journal.)

A postmortem examination on the body of the Chinaman supposed to have committed suicide in his cabin on the Fraser at Pavilion a weeks ago, resulted in a verdict that deceased came to his death by strangling at the hands of unknown parties. An examination of the cabin by the jury brought to light the fact that someone had been there at the time or shortly after the deed had been committed.

Charles Pennie, of Penniestown, says that a number of quartz claims are located in the vicinity of his ranch, and he had with him some good specimens of copper ore of very much the same character of ore as that of Kamloops. It seems to be conclusive that the same mineral belt runs through the section of country from Kamloops to Lillooet, and Ashcroft would seem to be directly in the zone. New locations are being made every day in this section.

On the Laird claim on Willow river the drift is in nearly 300 feet, and if things continue to go well Mr. Laird expects by March 1 to be at a point where he can tap the river bed at its lowest level. Too much credit cannot be accorded Mr. Laird for the persistency with which he has pursued the search for the old Willow river channel and his reward now seems within reach.

Some fine looking galena ore has been exhibited in Ashcroft. It was brought down from Cariboo by Mr. Spittle, a prospector, who states that he has a ledge four feet in width distinctly traceable for a long distance. The ore is without doubt high grade. The ledge, the owner claims, is on the right bank of Cariboo lake, about thirty miles from the Forks.

The quartz in Barkerville district is undergoing a boom at present, Mr. Marsh having gathered up all the idle men in town to develop the various quartz ledges in this vicinity.

Reports are that stock is doing well, but some young cattle had their feet frozen during the exceedingly cold spell in November.

Work on Slough creek is progressing well but slowly. Very bad ground has been encountered by the drift, but work is steadily going ahead.

About 20 men will be put to work on a quartz proposition near Barkerville within a few days by an English syndicate which owns some valuable quartz properties.

A large body of quartz has been located by Evans brothers on the Thompson river. The quartz looks well, and if it is found to carry gold to the value of even a few dollars it will be extremely valuable.

J. F. Fleshman says that within the past week more than a dozen quartz claims have been staked about three miles back of Agassiz. The rock is said to be free milling and gives returns of $12 per ton in gold.

NEW DENVER.

(From the Ledge.)

Thirty more men have been put to work on the Reco.

Another chute of ore has been struck on the Corinth group.

The Alpha and Black Bear are reported sold for $75,000.

On Dayton creek, work is being commenced on the Skylark, Ranger and Esmeralda.

Ward & Thompson have the contract for the second 100 feet of tunnel on the Rabbit Paw.

D. A. Van Doran will work the Mountain Chief No. 3, and the Sarnia, two claims on Four Mile.

A trail is being cut to the Daisy, near Three Forks. Work will be done on the Monitor lead, which runs through the Daisy.

A strike of cube galena was made in the Wakefield last week. Some ore soon to be shipped from this property will return a profit of over $100 to the ton.

C. K. Hammond, acting for the Ramsdall Mining Company, of Tacoma, has bonded the Sapphire and Gem on Payne mountain for $10,000, 15 per cent. cash. There are three tunnels on the properties, and it is expected that a shipment will be made next month.

Indications in the Argo, near Sandon, point towards the vicinity of an ore chute. The ledge on this claim is five feet wide, and in the upper tunnel can be seen over three feet of galena and carbonates.

The Highland Group Co. is the first Canadian company to have its head office at Cody. This company has been formed for the purpose of working a group of claims in the Lardeau district, and will offer for sale 50,000 shares of stock for development purposes only. I. S. Freeze is president, and A. B. Dockstader secretary-treasurer.

TROUT LAKE.

(From the Kootenay Mail.)

Abrahamson Bros. have completed the new addition to their hotel. The house has been thoroughly refitted and re-furnished throughout.

Old-timers state that this is the finest winter they have yet experienced in the Trout Lake district. Snow to the depth of about three feet has fallen, while the weather remains extremely mild.

Rawhiding from the Great Northern is in full swing, the trail having been completed last week.

Two rich strikes have been reported in camp during the past week. On the Great Northern a strike was made which will surely make the camp famous. While tunneling a body of ore was discovered, sample of which assay as high as 350 oz. silver, $36 in gold and 20 per cent. copper.

On the Broadview, while sinking a shaft, which is down 110 feet, a large vein was struck. Some of the ore was shown you correspondent. It is very similar to that found on the sister claim—the Great Northern.

Both the Silver Cup and Sunshine are running full blast.

The Star is looking better than ever. Between two and three levels stoping is being pushed. The width of the ledge, and the way in which huge blocks of ore are blown down, reminds the spectator of coal mining. Some of the pieces knocked down by the powder are so large that hammers have to be employed before they are small enough to handle. In No. 4 tunnel the ledge is wider, measuring in some places 35 feet. The greater bulk of the clean ore is taken from this level. Over 60 tons of clean ore have already been shipped this month, besides the output of the mill, which averages 32 tons of concentrates daily. The timbers in the Star are about two feet in thickness, placed about seven feet apart. The Star employs 111 men.

To Prohibit Aliens.

WINDSOR, Jan. 26.—At a meeting of the city council, held last night, Alderman James Dixon gave notice that he will at the next meeting submit a resolution by which all aliens will be prohibited from obtaining employment on any public works in Windsor.

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It will be seen from the foregoing extracts from the report that the Company has not been incorporated on a mere "prospect," but that it has a valuable and proven property. It may also be mentioned that other assays obtained from the quartz of the Athabasca, in addition to that referred to above, have given $96 00 $294.00, $300.00, $446.00, $9,800, and $17,760 to the ton.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN PROBATE.

In the Matter of the Estate of John Doran, of Esquimat Road, near the City of Victoria in the Province of British Columbia, Deceased.

Pursuant to an order of the said Supreme Court made by His Lordship Mr. Justice Walkem, on the 6th day of January, 1897, probate of the Will of the said John Doran, deceased, was granted to the Rev. Joseph Nicolaye the executor in the said Will named.

All persons indebted to the estate of the said John Doran, deceased, are hereby required forthwith to pay, and all persons having any claim against the said estate are required to send particulars thereof to me.

E. M. JOHNSON, Agent for Rev. J. Nicolaye, Executor of John Doran, Deceased.
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STATUTE REVISION.

Our evening contemporary's criticism which is founded on the assertions that $25,000 was set apart by the Legislature to meet the expense of Statute Revision and that, at the last session, the Government promised the House that "two additional Commissioners should be appointed immediately, a fresh Commission should be appointed, and that the work of Statute Revision should be carried out by three revisers from that time," might have some force were it not for the trifling circumstance that $25,000 was not set apart for the purpose mentioned, and that the promise above set out was not made by the Government to the House.

To have changed the drafting of the revision when it was half done and the remainder laid out according to a definite plan, and to have imported into the work new men and new methods, thereby upsetting what had already been done, would have been most unwise, besides being attended with large additional expense. If it could have been shown that the work, so far as it had proceeded, was badly done, or faulty, or that the plan being followed was objectionable, a change might have been imperative; but this was not the case. At the outset a determined onslaught was made on some of the statutes proposed for introduction and it was boldly proclaimed by some that, in one Act at least, which happened to be the first one taken up by the House, a startling and vital change in the law had been introduced by the Commissioner; "and," argued the objectors, "if we find this in the first Statute we take up, what may we expect of the remainder?" After days of wrestling with this monstrous difficulty the objectors woke up to find that there was no change whatever in the Revisor's work from the spirit of existing law, and that they themselves were at fault for having overlooked a change in the law adopted by the Legislature a few years previously. The House had, in fact, been wrestling with a huge mare's-nest.

The Attorney-General informed the House that he "could firmly state his opinion that the Act was in keeping with the law now on the Statute Books, and that the Revision had been correct in every particular." * * * "Thus it will be seen," continued the Attorney-General, "that the present case affords an instance of the accord of the Revision with existing laws, and of its harmonizing with the principles of the English law. It affords an instance also of the assurance in the Commissioner's report, that 'the aim of the consolidation throughout has been to retain the spirit of the law as it exists, and, where changes or alterations have been made or suggested, they have been indicated in different type, so that the Legislature can readily either adopt or reject them.'" No exception was taken to the Attorney-General's statement, and that was the end of the matter.

Another statute was taken up by the House, and after days of fighting, and amendment after amendment being offered, was passed practically as introduced by the Commissioner, whereupon the House seems to have gone to the other extreme, and to have passed statutes reported by the Commissioner, and to have adopted his revision, without apparently even considering the import of some of the changes recommended by the Commissioner. This was hardly as it should have been, for some of the changes were in matters of importance, and being distinctly indicated by being printed in italics (so that they could be either adopted or rejected), at least should have challenged discussion. In one instance, at least, a change was adopted, which, advisable though it might have been if publicly understood, was mischievous in the extreme when passed without the public being warned of the change. We allude to the "Municipal Elections Act," in which, for the purpose of giving sufficient time to prepare the voters' lists, the bill as reported by the Commissioner, provided that in township municipalities voters should qualify themselves a month earlier than the date fixed by the then existing law. This provision was adopted without comment. These facts are what the Times refers to as "the prompt and emphatic rejection of the Commissioner's suggestions by the House."

It was felt by the House, and very reasonably so, that before passing the bulk of the Revision there ought to be some guarantee beyond the mere opinion of the sole Commissioner that the Revision was accurate and did not depart from the spirit of existing law. Hence the determination of the Government, when the draft work of the Revision was over, to appoint a new Commission for this purpose. "But," asks the Times, "why should there be a revision, and then a re-revision of this revision?" Could there be a more childish question? What would be the value of any work of this kind if left in its original draft state? To give accuracy, work of this character must first be prepared and drafted, and then revised and re-revised. The more pains spent upon a revision of this character the better assurance of its perfection. If it is hastily and carelessly done it would be better to have left it undone. It is a work which calls for the exercise of the highest professional skill.

We venture to think our contemporary's views will not commend themselves to the public. Common sense and economy could, we think, have dictated no better plan than that adopted by the Government of calling in additional aid for the purpose, not of doing what had already been done efficiently by the sole Commissioner, but of searching for omissions and errors which naturally might be expected in the most careful preliminary revision. The Government can be safely trusted to keep the expense within proper limits, although, in a matter of this kind, the cost is secondary in comparison with the value of an accurate and speedily completed work.

THE HAWAIIAN QUESTION.

The political future of the Hawaiian Islands is discussed very earnestly by the local press. The Hawaiian Gazette says it is "the one absorbing question of the day, and will continue to be for months to come." The Commercial Journal is not quite certain as to what course ought to be taken, but feels that the time is ripe for agitation as to the future for the islands because "the present policy, if continued much longer, will place Hawaii under the power of Japan." This is because "the Japanese population is increasing so rapidly that it will soon be able to outvote all the other elements combined. The Commercial Journal believes that an understanding exists between the British and American governments as to the disposal of the islands, and appears to prefer annexation to the British Empire rather than to the United States.

The solution of the question would be easy enough if the Japanese element were out of the way, for then the islanders could be left to work out their own political salvation; but the prospects of Japan's acquiring the islands in the event of no action being taken either by Great Britain or the United States makes it very difficult. Great Britain could take possession of the islands if the people so desired, and their importance would at once be greatly enhanced. They would form a new and important link in the chain whereby Britain begirts the world, but they are not so important to British interests in the Pacific that it is worth while having a misunderstanding with any power over them.

It is not very clear what present advantage the possession of the islands would be to the United States, and their acquisition would be a radical departure in American policy. The habit of some American writers is to speak of them as though the islands were substantially a part of North America, whereas they are 2,500 miles away from the nearest point on the American coast. If, however, it is the intention of the United States to assert a right to some share in the control of the Pacific ocean, the islands would be of great value as a naval and coaling station. No European power will protest against the absorption of the islands by the republic, if the islanders themselves shall so desire, and we may be very sure that until such a desire has been expressed the government of Washington will let things remain as they are.

JEM MACE, pugilist, says the men of to-day are not as good as those of the last generation, and he points to himself, active and hearty, at sixty-five, as a proof of his claim. There was once a lecturer who, descanting on the superior rigor of the last generation, spoke of Gladstone, Bismarck, Von Moltke, and some others, and asked, with the air of a man who had proved his case beyond cavil: "Can the present generation show men like them?" Probably not, we should say; but we are not so sure that the next generation may not point to some of the survivors of this one as we point to the survivors of the last.

THE New York and San Francisco papers are vieing with each other in sensational accounts and monstrous pictures of the effects of the famine in India. While the situation is undoubtedly very serious, and calls for all the aid that can be given, the official statements do not bear out the frightful reports served up by those papers. The generous response that is being made to the requests for assistance, will probably enable the authorities to cope with the exceedingly difficult problem presented by the famine.

THE senatorial election in the State of Washington drags its slow length along. Judge Turner, of Le Roi fame, and Speaker Cline, of New Whatcom, are the leading candidates in point of votes as yet, but it is claimed that Senator Squire will come to the front in the course of a few days. There is some prospect of a deadlock.

THE Revelstoke Herald in a well considered article pleads for government aid to a light railroad or tramway into the Big Bend country. It says such roads are built in Ireland for $500 a mile. The Herald points out that the river route is practically availablfe or only three months in each year.

THE Seattle Post-Intelligencer thinks it would be a graceful act on the part of Her Gracious Majesty to confer a knighthood upon the Mayor of this, her namesake, city when the jubilee honors are distributed.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

A COMPETING ROUTE.

In considering the Crow's Nest question Eastern papers frequently overlook the fact that if the projected road were constructed by the government it would be possible for eastern goods to be shipped into the Kootenay region without travelling over the Canadian Pacific railway for any part of the way. The line of the Alberta railway from Lethbridge to Great Falls, which will be made of a standard gauge as soon as the link between Lethbridge and Macleod is built, already connects in Montana with one of the great transcontinental lines, and when the Burlington road has been extended from Billings to Great Falls this will give Lethbridge direct connection with the Grand Trunk system.—Lethbridge News.

REMINDED OF HOME.

There is something very taking to English eyes about British Columbia. Lady Marjorie Gordon explains it thus: "The people seem to have kept the British individuality more strongly than those on the other side of the mountain barrier. In the capital (Victoria) we might often think ourselves at home again. There are English oaks in Victoria; we see green lawns and ivy-covered houses, and altogether there is a settled atmosphere which is very English." Yet, in contrast to these English characterists, there are the Chinamen who "walk about with loose dark purple coats and trousers and high-soled shoes, with long silky pigtails hanging down their backs, and apparently look on the whites with contempt, but," adds the young authoress, "do their work well."—Canadian Gazette.

THE TRUE SPIRIT.

It is the hope of patriotic men that sectional lines will soon be blotted out, and the whole Province dealt with as one country, whose citizens have a common desire to see it advance rapidly on the path of prosperity.—The Columbian.

THE ENLARGEMENT OF MANITOBA.

There is not a single reason in favor of the proposal which will appeal to any resident of the Territories who intends to keep his home in the Territories, and who is genuinely and patriotically interested in the well-being and progress of the Northwest.—Regina Leader.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Parson—You should contribute something, for, remember, we have the poor always with us. Parishioner—Yes, that fact induces me to believe that there is no need to hurry.

The Potter Palmers have cut down Chicago's "100" list 25 per cent. We suppose, under the new conditions, no one is eligible unless he deals in refined lard.

Puffy—Just saved a man's life. Guffy—How was that? Puffy—Met a fellow on the street; said he'd blow my brains out if I didn't give him my watch; gave him the watch.—London Tid-Bits.

Mother—Dear me! the baby has swallowed that piece of worsted. Father—That's nothing to the yarns she'll have to swallow if she lives to grow up.—Boston Transcript.

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Will be offered for sale at Public Auction by the undersigned, at his office, Bastion street, Victoria, on

Tuesday, the Second February, 1897, at 12 O'clock Noon,

The Schooner Viva is 92 tons, coppered, and will be sold with her boats and sails.

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All that piece or parcel of land situate in Victoria District, British Columbia, and known as Subdivision C, Lot two (2), and Subdivision C, Lot three (3), Section thirty-seven (XXXVII) in said district, according to a map or plan deposited in the Land Registry Office, Victoria, and numbered 225, containing thirty-five (35) acres, more or less, known as

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FURNITURE

Thursday, January 28, at 11 a.m.

I have been instructed by MR. E. CORDINLEY, to sell at his residence,

Michigan and Young Streets,

the HANDSOME FURNISHINGS, on the premises, viz.:

Drawing-Room.

One pair extra heavy silk plush curtains, poles and trimmings (cost $100), lace curtains, poles and blinds, fancy walnut table, cherry occasional table handsome parlor suite upholstered in fine raw silk and plush (5 pieces), parlor, hanging and stand lamps, oak occasional table, bamboo easel, oleographic and photo pictures, fine Brussels carpet, velvet pile hearth rug, lot fancy bric-a-brac, plants and fancy flower pots, etc., etc.

A fine-toned Bush & Gertz cabinet grand piano, in rosewood, full iron frame, overstrung, perfect repeating action, three pedals (one for practice), catalogue price, $550.

Dining-Room.

Handsome solid oak sideboard, silverware and cutlery, China dinner set (120 pieces), cut glass ware, clock, solid oak dining table (four leaves) and table cover, Pullman plush sofa, tapestry and easy chairs, 6 oak b.w., c.b. dining chairs, arm chairs and rockers to match, Brussels carpet, engravings, massive hanging lamp, lace curtains and poles, standard works by English authors, perambulator, English fishing rod, basket, tackle and some beautiful flies, Smith & Wesson latest improved revolver, a *fine Singer Cabinet Sewing Machine, cost $100.*

Hall.

Oak stand table, curtains, pictures, coal heating stove, piping, etc., hall lamp, carpets, etc.

Bedrooms.

Two rooms with fine solid oak bedroom suites, wire mattresses, hair top mattresses, carpets, curtains, poles, toilet sets, blankets, sheets, pillows, etc., and one bedroom with three-quarter bedroom furniture and carpets.

Kitchen.

Splendid steel Acorn range (No. 8) with heater, hot water boiler and pipes, a large lot of agate and tinware, crockery, groceries tables, sundries.

Outside.

Lawn mower, garden tools, hose, No. 8 Gem wringer wash tubs, clothes lines, garden hammock, steps, carpet sweepers, etc., etc.

The Auctioneer would call special attention to this Sale, as everything in the place is in perfect order—in fact the goods could be put in a store and you would buy them as new.

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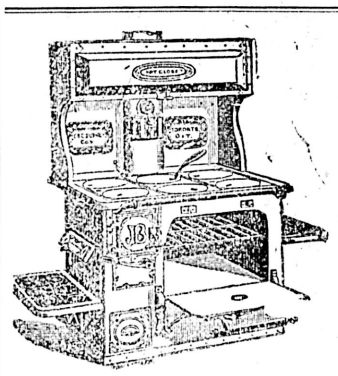

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AUCTION SALES.

Jan. 25.—Furniture, etc. W. T. Hardaker.
Jan. 28—Splendid household furniture, piano, sewing machine, etc. G. Byrnes.
Feb. 4—Farm property. Joshua Davies.

THE CITY.

"C. D." is anxious for a competition at tenpins, three or six balls, with any gentleman in town, for small stakes.

THE Epworth League, of the Metropolitan church, entertained their friends at an enjoyable novelty social on Monday evening.

THE local officers of the Salvation Army announce "a musical and literary entertainment, for which a first class programme has been arranged"—at the barracks to-morrow evening.

SOON the festive firecracker will be cracking, and his lips the honored caller will be smacking, while the onion lilies bloom and the debtor meets his doom—for Chinese New Year comes on Monday next.

THE board of public school trustees have an adjourned business meeting this evening at the secretary's office, when the committee on salary equalization will present their report, and the estimates of expenditure for the current year will be completed.

LIEUT.-COL. GREGORY made a capital chairman at the Y.W.C.A. entertainment in the Y.M.C.A. rooms last night. There was a good attendance and the unanimous decision was that they were well entertained, good singing, good instrumental music, and the indespensible coffee and cake, together with plenty of fun, making the hours of sociability pass very pleasantly and very swiftly.

ETHA HARRY, a Japanese resident of Chatham street, is an energetic champion of sanitary reform, especially in the matter of ventilation, and the fear that some of his Chinese friends might suffer from the closeness of their quarters induced him on Tuesday night to break large irregular holes in the windows of Ah Yick's home. Of course the Chinaman couldn't see the philanthropy of the operation, and the Jap was fined in the police court yesterday for window breaking.

THE programme to be presented at Madam Laird's concert to-morrow evening is a very pleasing one. Mrs. Rowlands will sing "Haste, Ye Birds," a new song particularly adapted to her sweet and sympathetic voice; and Mr. Rowlands will also delight his hearers with a song he has never sung here before. The "Madrigral" from "The Mikado" is always pleasant. Miss Kate C. Walker, of Vancover, an elocutionist very highly spoken of, will recite. Madame Laird will sing one of Ardite's celebrated waltzes.

MR. T. F. SINCLAIR, for whom anxious inquiry is being made by the Chicago police, he having been missing for more than a month past, proves to be not "our T. F. Sinclair" after all. The latter in a letter to Mr. George Shedden bearing the Chicago date of the 18th instant, makes reference to the fact of a man of the same name being missing, and remarks, "The fact that he is stated to be 'late of British Columbia' has evidently led to the conclusion that has caused the confusion." Mr. T. F. Sinclair cannot think who the missing gentleman may be, unless one of a New Westminster family of the same name.

IN both the Bank of British Columbia and the Bank of Montreal subscriptions have been started for the relief of famine-stricken people of India. Heading the former list is $50, given by the bank; $10, by Mr. R. L. Ker, assistant-manager; and $5, by Mr. S. F. Morley. Mayor Redfern has also been requested by Lord Aberdeen to take steps towards aiding in alleviating the distress of the sufferers; and in this connection Lieut.-Governor Dewdney suggests that the subscriptions when collected be paid into one of the local banks for transmission to Lord Aberdeen when the lists are completed. The telegram which the Governor received from His Excellency is as follows: "After consultation with Dominion ministry, I have undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion in aid of the distress in India, and I trust I may have Your Honor's support and co-operation in this national expression of sympathy."

We have some real nice "bed comforters" and a stock of good blankets that cannot be beaten. Weiler Bros. x

THE Pacific express had not yet arrived at Vancouver yesterday when the Islander sailed, and the steamer in consequence had no Eastern mail.

If you have beauty
I will take it—
If you have none
I will make it.
x Savannah, Photo.

ALFRED HATT, the flagship marine who was arrested at Comox recently for stealing from the residence of Mr. E. Millet, has been sentenced by Judge Harrison to six months at hard labor.

AN interesting meeting of the Victoria district Fruit Growers' Association was held at Cedar Hill last evening, when Mr. R. M. Palmer, of the department of agriculture, continued his paper on insect pests. hould the present cold weather continue it will be necessary to postpone the exhibition of spraying machines arranged for Saturday.

MR. JOHN ST. CLAIR, gymnastic instructor of the Victoria public schools, is on the eve of launching a new publication which will undoubtedly be of great assistance to the teachers of the province, and of interest to everyone in touch with the advance of educational work. It is to take the form of a monthly magazine, presenting in condensed form all the papers and practical articles read before the teachers' institutes throughout the province—with original and timely suggestions as to desirable methods of instructing the young in the several branches of a sound general education.

PROGRAMMES have already been issued for the Burns anniversary concert, to be held in the First Presbyterian church school room on Friday evening. They call for some sixteen numbers of vocal and instrumental solos, a cantata, a recitation, and in general a feast of Scottish entertainment that all attending, and particularly Scotchmen, will find very enjoyable. The cantata announced is "The Rising of the Clans." It is a pretty and tuneful little work, and its choice is well indicated by the references to Scottish history—to the time when bonfire communication was the only established system of telegraphy with the people of the dales and hills. There are many other attractions on the programme well calculated to please.

AH TIN, from the evidence presented in the city police court yesterday, is certainly entitled to the long distance record in dominoe playing, for the city and county of Victoria, if not the entire coast. He is the man who, according to the testimony of Ah Sam, formed one of a party of highbinders who did him grievous bodily harm, at his home out in the country on the night of January 8. To this Ah Tin filed the defence that he was playing dominoes that day, and not being divisible or twins couldn't be in two places at once. Yesterday he produced a number of witnesses who deposed that he was in Chinatown on the day and date in question, and did not leave the dominoe table from 4 in the afternoon until 11 at night. On the 28th the case will be continued and further evidence of Ah Tin's devotion to his favorite game may be looked for.

CORPORAL D. STEWART, R.E., has every reason to be proud of the fair warriors who formed his drill corps, and won unstinted praise for their instructor and themselves at the entertainment in Semple's hall last evening, for the benefit of the choir fund of St. Paul's church. The squad were effectively costumed in cadet blue, with scarlet jacket and cuffs trimmed with military gold braid, the blue skirts also being relieved with gold bands. Full Privates Misses Blackwood, Winnie and May Fraser, McKeen, McKenzie, Muirhead, Bertha Muirhead, Semple and Tagg composed the military detachment, while Miss Lily Russell acted as accompanist, the drill being a musical one and therefore even more appreciated. This was the unique and special feature of the evening, but it was not by any means the entire programme. This included besides, meritorious musical numbers and creditable club swinging by Misses Bertha Massick, Alice Smith and Amy McKenzie, the various numbers being presented with a sharpness and precision not usually characteristic of amateur performances of the kind. Is is satisfactory, too, to know that it was equally successful financially.

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HEARD IN THE HOTELS.

Opinion That a Yukon Line Will Not Pay—New "Lead" at the New England.

Miners Returning to the Yukon—An Old-Time Guest—How to Grow Oysters.

Messrs. William McTaggart and William Peterson were at the Oriental last evening, on their way back to the Yukon, where they mined with fair success last season. They leave by the City of Topeka to-morrow, their destination being Cloudeck creek, about two score miles beyond Forty-Mile, in British territory. It was here that "Siwash George," a white man despite the suggestive name, made a fortune last year, and glowing reports are given of the richness of the ground. Neither of the returning miners appear especially sanguine as to a railway being built to connect the Coastal cities with the Yukon country.

"It will end in talk, as usual," said Mr. McTaggart. "It always does. And from what I've seen of the country in three seasons, I can't see what any capitalists would want to build a railway there for. Of course it's got gold, but there's more good mineral nearer home that it would pay a railway better to reach. A railway to the Yukon, as I know the country, would starve to death."

"Funny isn't it how all the great mines are discovered by merest chance," and Mr. H. Wills paused for a reply with his knife upraised in the air.

This was at one of the tables in the New England and the speaker had just carved a currant loaf. There seemed to be something of a story in sight, so everybody listened.

"Do you see this nugget," and a neat little half ounce chunk of very coarse gold was produced. Even the near-sighted man saw it, and all expressed complete and utter surprise when Mr. Wills declared that he had located it in the centre of the currant loaf he had just divided.

Then the waiter passed the wink and the man with a mining story smiled as his auditors proceeded to stake off claims on all the remaining currant loaves in the house.

The strangest thing about this narrative is that the main fact is strictly correct and absolutely true.

Mr. C. J. Major, of New Westminster, who registered at the New England last evening, stands high in the esteem of the proprietors of that hotel—as in the esteem of the entire community.

"It's more than 26 years since we first had Mr. Major as a guest," said Mr. M. Young last night. "That is," he corrected himself, "it's 26 years since I came here, and he was a patron of the house then. He's stood by the house all these years, and we've begun to regard him naturally as one of the family."

And the Boniface gazed out upon the busy street, where there is no crossing to be trod by hurrying feet.

Professor Prince, the Dominion piscatorial expert, has promised to pay British Columbia a three months' visit during the present year, during the course of which he will have a look at the Eastern oysters and lobsters planted in Island waters a few months ago. A fact in connection with oyster growing which was not before known in this part of the world was made clear during Professor Princess last visit. This was the great advantage in returning the emptied shells to the oyster beds. At the spawning time they are made good use of by the delicate shell fish, and knowing this the proprietors of the Oyster Bay and Sooke beds are now careful to return all the emptied shells of which they can obtain possession.

MRS. HENRY GLIDE, an old and much respected resident of this city, died at her residence, Erie street, last evening after a lingering illness. She was 51 years of age and leaves besides a bereaved husband several of a family, the majority of whom are married and living in Victoria. The deceased was a native of St. Andrew's, Fifeshire, Scotland.

A SECOND meeting of all interested in the formation of a branch of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals is to be held in the city hall committee room this afternoon. It will be remembered that an effort was made some months ago to revive the Victoria branch of this excellent society, but organization had of necessity to be deferred until copies of the general constitution and other papers had arrived.

COLFAX Rebekah degree lodge gave a well attended entertainment and dance in the Oddfellows' hall, Douglas street, last evening, the programme being as follows:

Instrumental.....Miss Catterall
Vocal solo.....Miss Anderson
Instrumental.....Miss Glover
Vocal solo.....Mr. Muir
Vocal duet.....Messrs. Thomas and Muir
Club swinging.....
.....Messrs. Wrigglesworth and Hill
Vocal solo.....Mrs. Kirshaw
Reading.....Mr. Weeks
Violin solo.....Master Fawcett
Vocal trio.....
....Mrs. Critchley, Miss B. Peters and Mr. Muir.
Violin solo.....Mr. Cave.

POSTMASTER Noah Shakespeare, though quite an elderly man, has passed few birthdays that were more pleasantly celebrated than that which was marked by an entertainment given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Centennial Methodist church last evening. The event took place in the school room, which had been prettily decorated for the occasion, and the proceedings of the evening opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. Bryant, after which the chairman gave an address. The programme which followed was as appended:

Anthem.....The Choir
Recitation.....Mr. Parker
Song.....Mr. Reid
Song.....Miss Peck
Reading.....Mr. Deaville
Song.....Little Rita Berryman
Song.....Miss Grant
Song.....Mr. Munroe
Recitation.....Miss Black
Song.....Miss Hackett
Quartette.....Mrs, Donville and Miss Grant, Messrs. Johns and Deaville
Song.....Mrs. Anderson
Speech.....Rev. J. P. Bowell
Song.....Mr. Shakespeare

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EARLY ARRIVALS.

Undermentioned Spring Importations already to hand. As our Great Winter Sale is now in progress the following are marked at exceptionally close prices and go into "sale" selling to-day:

New Valenciennes Laces, IN WHITE, CREAM, BUTTER, BLACK.
New Swiss Laces, IN WHITE, CREAM AND BUTTER.
New Cambric Embroideries, IMMENSE ASSORTMENT.
New Swiss Embroideries.
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MINING COMPANIES.

Board of Trade Talk a Long Time Over Methods of Incorporation.

Suggestions Made as to the Best Means of Preventing Over-Capitalization.

The report of the committee on mining, held over from the quarterly meeting of the Board of Trade, was taken up yesterday and discussed during the whole afternoon. The speakers showed the difficulty of a large number of people, most of whom have not had any opportunity of posting themselves on the matter, trying to come to a common conclusion on any question. As it was the first hour was spent in trying to arrange how to take the report up, and it was finally decided that while the report should be discussed, the board would then refer it back to the council of the board, with the views expressed as a guide to the council in sending their recommendations to the government.

The first provision that no mining companies be registered to do business in the province except they had been organized under British or Canadian acts caused a great deal of controversy.

Mr. William Wilson made a diversion by suggesting an amendment to the effect that no company should be formed to work a mineral claim unless they first had a crown grant of the mine.

Major Dupont was for going slow in attempting to interfere with the mining laws. Too many restrictions would have a mischievous effect in keeping capital from coming here, without in reality protecting the innocent investor any more than at present. To compel a crown grant being secured was a needless restriction and delay. He had, indeed, been assured by a Mr. Thompson, a government mineralogist from Australia, that the present mining laws of the province were quite good enough.

"You cannot make people sensible by legislation," was the opinion of Mr. Nicholles. There were provisions in the Joint Stock Companies Act providing against fraudulent representation in a mining prospectus, and the mining laws of the province were quite good enough. His idea was that the report should be laid on the table and the mining committee thanked and discharged. What was the use, Mr. Nicholles wanted to know, of men who knew nothing about mining trying to bring in legislation in regard to a thing they knew nothing about. The first clause of the report Mr. Nicholles styled arbitrary, unjust and even tyrannical. In fact, as he warmed up, Mr. Nicholles went on to describe the idea as "going back to the dark ages."

"Where's the tyranny?" inquired Mr. Joshua Davies.

"Why?—Because it means that companies formed in the United States can't do business here," replied Mr. Nicholles.

It was explained to the gentleman that that was exactly the manner that the United States dealt with Canadian mining companies now. They had therefore no right to complain on that score.

Mr. F. B. Pemberton, who was one of the mining committee, explained that the real reason for the clause was to stop, if possible, the organization of companies in foreign places, with fictitious capital, for the purpose of doing business here.

At Mr. F. B. Gregory's suggestion, it was here decided, as the debate was rather departing from the clause, that the discussion should be general, without laying down any particular lines.

Whether there was any law at present against over capitalization Mr. Scaife did not know, but he did not see the use of making recommendations re the subject until the board knew what the laws already were.

Next came an explanation from Mr. Futcher to the effect that that the council of the board had decided to forward the committee's report to the Minister of Mines as the result of information gathered, rather than as a recommendation for changes. The council had, indeed, felt themselves not qualified to deal with the report, nor did he see how a much larger body, such as the board itself, were in any better condition to deal with it.

"Then the council shirks its work," was the remark of Mr. Wm. Wilson, "for they seem to have just taken the report from the committee, stuck it in an envelope and shipped it to the government."

"It has not gone yet," volunteered the president. "It was thought too important to deal with hurriedly, and that was the reason it was brought here for discussion."

By this time the meeting had been going for an hour and a half with the first clause not dealt with, but now the members got down to business and approved of the clause.

A suggestion was made by Mr. H. Carmichael, the result he explained of the opinions of a number of experienced mining men, that companies should not be allowed to increase their capital after incorporation without paying the increased tax. This suggestion came up over the discussion of the proposal that a graduated scale of fees be charged for incorporation.

The time was now getting along and the members showed a disposition to adjourn, when Mr. Thos. Earle, M.P., made a short speech, which revived the waning interest. It was the duty of the government, he maintained, to step in and make every company show that they had a liberal amount of capital. Mining companies from the States, or anywhere else, who come here to operate were dealing with the assets of the province and the least they could do was to organize under our laws. It was no hardship; it was only right, too, that the government should see that people were not gulled by companies with fictitious capital. He knew of one huge advertisement he had seen east of a mining company that had not even money enough to pay for its printing, and the publishers had to take stock to pay themselves. The province had a right to get all it could out of its assets, and he believed in impressing on the government the desirability of dealing with these matters at the coming session.

The rest of the report was then gone through quickly. Mr. Carmichael made the suggestion that the shareholders of a company should have the right to appoint an auditor independent of the directors to report to them if they desired, and their suggestion was that whereas it was advisable that some statement should be published periodically by companies, too many details should not be insisted on, as that would be an interference with private rights.

These were the principal modifications suggested, and the meeting broke up shortly before 6 o'clock.

THE FAMINE IN INDIA.

Difficulties of Affording Relief Lighter Than Former Years—Plague Still Spreading—Alarm in Marseilles.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—A despatch from Kolhapur says that the reports sent out to England and the United States of the acute famine said to exist in the Southern Maharshtra have been somewhat exaggerated. A scarcity of grain does prevail in the extreme Eastern portion of the region, but the people were able to escape want by migrating, most of them to the fertile Kanion plains and elsewhere, where the shortness of the grain supply is not felt. Rice also is plentiful and means and measures for the relief of the hungry are pronounced adequate where needed.

The Maharajah, in an interview on the prospects of his people escaping starvation, said his state expected a famine every five years and were, therefore, not altogether taken unawares or unprovided when it came. They were prepared, he said, to spend five lakhs of rupees for relief in his territory. The British resident confirmed the statement of the Maharajah, adding that the relief organization was most efficient and that the difficulties from famine and of securing and distributing relief were lighter than in former famines. The resident summed up his views as follows: "My observation has been, in travelling over the whole western country, that the famine is not severe there, though it may increase towards June. But in the districts in which I have travelled, I have not heard of a single death from starvation."

The official report from the Governor-General of the famine outlook in India says that from one to three inches of rain has fallen in the Punjaub, except in the Delhi district, and light showers elsewhere. There is a slight fall in prices in Northern Punjaub, while elsewhere they are stationary.

MARSEILLES, Jan. 26.—The alarm caused by the nine sudden deaths in one street here on Saturday, which was followed by the report that they were due to the plague which is ravaging Bombay, has subsided to a great extent, owing to the firm stand taken by the government officials. They most emphatically insist that all the deaths were due to infectious pneumonia. The scare, however, has had a good effect in making the authorities redouble their efforts to guard against the introduction of the plague through any of the ports designated for the landing of merchandise from India.

MEETING AT ROSSLAND.

Mr. Kellie Discusses Affairs With His Constituents—Another Representative Wanted.

ROSSLAND, Jan. 24.—Mr. J. M. Kellie, M.P.P. for this district, who has been visiting Rossland in preparation for the coming session, by request met a number of the mining brokers at the office of Wm. Bennison & Co., on Thursday evening. Their first suggestion was that all persons selling mining stocks on commission should by law be required to pay a license. Mr. Kellie said: "If you can guarantee me that it is not to secure the formation of a close corporation, and that you will not cinch the public, I may be induced to favor such a law." The chief discussion of the evening arose on the suggestion that there should be some shorter period than one year set for doing assessment work on prospects, upon which Mr. Kellie said: "I have run across few mining men who are not speculators, and few prospectors take up claims to work them. I do not see how the law can be amended to any advantage in that respect." Mr. Kellie promised to support the proposal for the incorporation of Rossland, and spoke in favor of having more municipal government and less direct provincial control throughout the province. The subject of taxation of incorporated companies created considerable discussion. Mr. Kellie said that at the coming session an effort would be made to restrict the amount of capital stock of companies, as it was not in the interests of the country that large companies be floated on probable wildcats. A committee of five was appointed to prepare a record of the motions carried at the meeting and formulate a petition to the legislature embracing them. It is understood that the committee will act with any other committee appointed by any body of Rossland citizens. Mr. Kellie advised a petition to the government for a representative of this end of the district. He said this section deserves more recognition from the government, and he felt reasonably sure that it was possible for the creation of a new district by next year, and Kootenay would then have another voice in the House.

CHURCH MATTERS IN NEW WESTMINSTER.

TO THE EDITOR:—With regard to one item in the COLONIST of the 21st, saying "There is a considerable change for the better in the affairs of the Anglican diocese of New Westminster," I wish to add, can it be for the better that some half a dozen or more clergy have been notified that the half of their stipends can no longer be paid owing to the resignation of the English committee? Can it be for the better that the only means the clergy had of getting aid individually for church building and anything else they required for their parishes has been destroyed? The question of remedy lies with the laity as the clergy can move off. For the better is it that some of these clergy now deprived of a livelihood after fifteen or twenty years' faithful service should be driven away from the country altogether? Why? Simply because these results have come from faithfulness to right principle on their part. No high church or low church this time, simply business integrity as they—may be—blindly look at things.

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SEALER SPOKEN AT SEA

One of the "Mary Taylor's" Boats Met by the "Umatilla" En Route From 'Frisco.

The "City of Kingston" Withdrawn From Service to Receive Repairs at Tacoma.

Last evening the Umatilla got in from San Francisco, having at 1:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon, in lat. 43° 10 N. and long. 125° 00 W., spoken two crafts, in one of which Victorians are interested. This was a boat belonging to the sealer Mary Ellen, and as the mail steamer passed by a bundle of papers was tossed from the deck of the steamer to the little boat, which appeared like a cork on the water. The other vessel spoken by the Umatilla was the British four-masted ship Comlick Bank.

IN THE HANDS OF MECHANICS.

Steamer City of Kingston, Captain Clements, has been temporarily replaced on the Tacoma-Victoria run by the steamer Sehome, Captain Clancy, and the crew of the former has been transferred to the latter. The Kingston went to the Tacoma dry dock on Monday morning to be docked for repairs. She will receive a new propeller and undergo repairs to her engines. Part of the machinery has been taken out and sent to the South Tacoma shops for repair. It is not known how long the Kingston will be off her run.

NEW N. Y. K. STEAMER.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha is about to order the construction of another ocean liner in England, the new vessel to be placed on the company's recently opened line to Australia. The steamer is to be 3,200 gross, and nearly 2,000 tons net register. She is to accommodate 48 cabin, 24 second class and 160 steerage passengers.

MARINE NOTES.

It is probable that next week the steamer Charmer will be able to resume regular service. She left the Esquimalt marine railway yesterday, and will be replaced on the slip by the Tees, which will be hauled on for cleaning and painting to-day. She will leave for the West Coast on Saturday.

The Hawaiian bark Rosalie having finished loading her cargo of lumber leaves to-morrow for Australia.

The steamship Empress of Indian, from Victoria and Vancouver, reached Hongkong yesterday.

The steamship City of Topeka will call at the outer wharf, en route north, to-morrow morning.

The tug Mystery towed in a boom of logs to Chemainus for the Victoria Lumber Co. on Thursday.

The bark Trowbridge, lumber laden from Vancouver, is ready for sea.

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W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 20th January, 1897. ja17

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To Our Faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. Eberts, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Eighth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable EDGAR DEWDNEY, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 29th day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By command,
JAMES BAKER,
de31 Provincial Secretary.

NOTICE.

Assessment Act.

Adjourned sittings of the Court of Revision and Appeal will be holden as follows:—

For the Electoral Districts of Victoria South and Esquimalt, at 46 Langley Street, Victoria, on Friday, January 8th, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For Coast, Rupert, Sayward and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, at 46 Langley Street, Victoria, on Saturday, January 9th, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

For the City of Victoria, at 46 Langley Street, Victoria, on Friday and Saturday, the 15th and 16th of January, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m.

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Assessor.
Victoria, December 28th, 1896. de31

Legislative Assembly.

Private Bills.

NOTICE.

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving Petitions for Private Bills will expire on Monday, the 22nd day of February, 1897.

Bills must be presented on or before the 1st day of March, 1897.

Reports from the Standing Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 8th day of March, 1897.

If any of the Rules above referred to are suspended, the promoters of all Bills taking the benefit of such suspension of said Rules, will be required to pay double fees.

Authority to act as Parliamentary Agent during the session may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

Dated this 12th day of January, 1897.

THORNTON FELL,
ja13 Clerk Legislative Assembly.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to amend the "Lillooet, Fraser River and Cariboo Gold Fields, Limited, Act, 1896," by giving power to the Company to amend its Articles and Memorandum of Association from time to time as the Company may deem necessary.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 29th day of December, A.D., 1896.

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de31 Solicitors for the Applicants.

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SHE'S PRESIDENT.

Since mother is the president
Of Bigville's Woman's club,
Pa's made her have a hired girl
To wash, 'nd iron, 'nd scrub,
'Cause he says: "No use talkin' now.
As washin' at the tub
Ain't just the work fer mother, since
She's president, eh bub?"

'Nd t'other day he said: "Now, ma,
You go down to the store
'Nd get that ingrain carpet you
Was wantin' once before.
Gosh, if it costs four dollars, I
Don't care! 'Twon't do no more
To have home-made rag-carpets on
The president's front room floor."

"'Nn then," he said, 'nd looked at her
A-laughin' kind of sly,
"P'raps we might find some furniture
You'd maybe like to buy."
Then ma she ups and kisses pa,
'N wiped her both eyes dry.
'Nd pa said: "Sho, now, 'taint the thing
Fer presidents to cry."

—C. Nisichla in Buffalo Courier.

NEW BOOKS.

"The Wheels of Chance," by H. G. Wells, profusely illustrated. This bicycle story is one of Macmillan's Colonial Library series. It is strong, pure and simple, written to amuse and with no ulterior purpose in the way of cramming the reader with religion, philosophy or politics under the guise of amusing him, and it fills its purpose admirably.

"The Peasantry" is a translation of de Balzac's Les Paysans, the rendition into English being by Ellen Marriage. This is one of the Colonial Library series. It is only necessary to be able to say of a translation of the work of de Balzac that it is admirably done.

"Valeria, the Martyr of the Catacombs," is a tale of early Christian life in Rome, by W. H. Withrow, D. D., published by William Briggs, Toronto. It is well illustrated. The talo gives a stirring picture of life in the days and place in which its scene is laid, and is full of interest to those who like to get as close an insight as possible into the manner in which the early Christians and their contemporaries lived. It is instructive as well as entertaining.

"Three Boys in the Wild Northland," by Egerton R. Young, published by William Briggs, Toronto. The title tells what the story is about. The many illustrations show the most casual examiner that the interest is sustained throughout. The scene is laid in the country west of Hudson's Bay, and the tale is well told. It is a capital book for young people.

SIMPLE COSTUMES.

They Are No Less Expensive For Their Simplicity—Costly Linings.

This season's costumes are ostensibly simple. The popularity of white, the general acceptance of valenciennes lace, which has for many years been relegated to the domain of baby clothes, as the trimming par excellence for all sorts of costumes and

TULLE GOWN.

accessories and the immense vogue o. lawns, muslins and thin silks have contributed to the general effect of refined simplicity and inexpensiveness. Nevertheless the bills amount to just as much as ever, for there are silk linings and hand work to be counted in, and a fashionable muslin frock, little elaborate as it may seem to the ignorant eye, costs as much as a more pretentious one. There are cases where a careful examination shows some foundation for a large charge, the best of linings and workmanship being employed, but when one sees a gown of printed nainsook made over a lining of common colored cambric, the edges of the flounces not even hemmed, and learns that the cost of this costume is in the neighborhood of $50 one naturally wonders as to the why and wherefore.

It is said by fashion mongers that shoes, hosiery and underwear are characterized by particular daintiness this year, but was there ever a time when a woman did not have these things as fine and delicate as her circumstances would allow? The consciousness that one's less conspicuous appurtenances are on a par with or above one's gown and hat give a feeling of comfort and satisfaction that no mere outside finery can impart.

The gown of which a sketch is given has a skirt composed of two deep flounces of maize embroidered tulle, over which are panels of silk with a printed warp design. This skirt is made over a plain skirt of maize silk. The bodice of gathered embroidered tulle has a plain silk lining and is adorned with lengthwise bands of printed silk. The close sleeves are of elbow length and are adorned on the outside by three ruffles of embroidered tulle. The belt, collar and straps are of black velvet.

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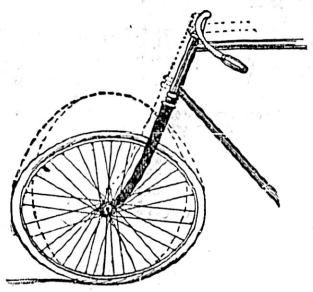
A WHEELMAN'S WHIM.

He Rides a "Bounding Bike" and Has No Use For Horses.

A man in Brooklyn has had constructed a bicycle which he claims gives him all the satisfaction that he formerly derived from horseback riding, and as it costs $30 a



THE "BOUNDING BIKE."

month to keep a saddle horse and next to nothing to maintain a wheel he intends to sell out his live stock and confer all his favor upon the silent steed.

The machine which has superseded the serviceable cob has been named by the owner the "bounding bike," from the fact that its only gait, when limbered up on the road, is a kind of canter, this motion being imparted by the front wheel, which is elliptical in form. Instead of being 28 inches in diameter at all points, it is 24 at one point and 30 at another. The fork, of course, had to be lengthened two inches. If the Brooklyn man finds this steed too tame, it is possible that he may invent a "bucking broncho" cycle and have some real cowboy fun with it.

CYCLING CHAT.

The "bicycle wrist" is the latest evil attributed to cycling.

Make a note of the number on your wheel. It may be useful in case of theft.

Cabanne says that Arthur Gardiner is not riding in the shape he should this year.

The French seem to take exception to the report of Johnny Johnson anent his recent trip abroad.

There is talk of holding a big record tournament at the fair grounds at St. Louis some time in October.

Among the new cycle lamps is one designed so that it may be folded and carried in the toolbag or vest pocket.

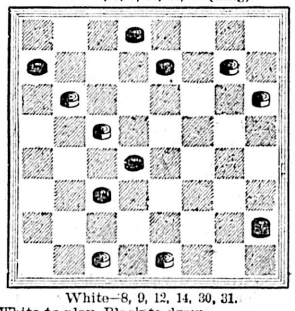
In riding through sand be careful not to grip the handle bar too tightly. Let the machine "have its head," as it were.

Willie Coburn, the youngest of that ever recurring and famous cycling family, boasts that he has never tasted alcoholic stimulants in his life.

The Æolian harp attachment consists of a number of rubber bands attached across the frame of the machine. The wind passing through them makes a curious sort of musical whining sound.

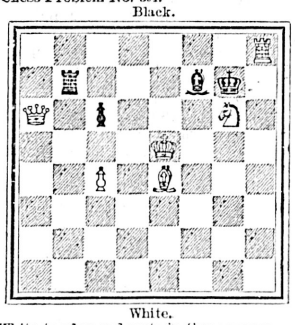
CHECKERS AND CHESS.

Checker Problem No. 391.
Black—2, 5, 7, 18, 22, 23 (king).



White—8, 9, 12, 14, 30, 31.
White to play, Black to draw.

Chess Problem No. 391.
Black.



White.
White to play and mate in three moves.

SOLUTIONS.

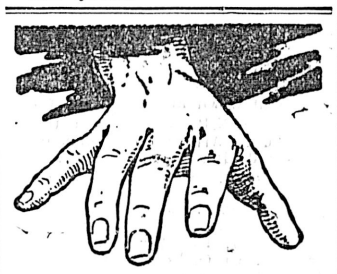
Checker problem No. 390:

White.	Black.
1..23 to 16	1..22 to 31
2..16 to 12	2..31 to 26
3..12 to 8	3..26 to 22
4.. 8 to 3	4.. 7 to 10
5..15 to 6	5.. 1 to 10
6.. 5 to 1	6..22 to 15
7.. 3 to 7	7.. 9 to 14
8.. 1 to 6	8..15 to 19

Drawn

Chess problem No. 390:

White.	Black.
1..Kt to Q 3	1..K x P
2..R–R 6	2..K to Q 5
3..R—Q 6 mate	



The hand of fate hovers over the unwise, the youth who in error have dashed the cup of life to the floor. It is a fearful horror to be as strong as an ox to-day, to be as weak as a kitten to-morrow. It is a solemn warning; it should be heeded. Catch yourself in the nick of time. If you cannot help yourself the

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connection with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

Suburban Five-Acre Blocks

Equal to about 70 Townsite Lots, will be offered for sale on Most Reasonable Terms and at prices which are less per acre than the price of a single Townsite Lot.

This Sale will Commence on Thursday, the 14th January, 1897,

and affords opportunity for investment in property in a District now universally acknowledged as the coming Mining Centre of the Province.

These Blocks are Adapted for Residences, Orchards or Future Subdivision.

OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

A POWERFUL MINING & SMELTING CO. Report their intention of building a **500-Ton Smelter** in the close proximity of this land, and the owners have been applied to for a site for this purpose. Such an industry is warranted from the fact that the Great Volcanic Mine, said to be the largest deposit of copper gold ore now known, purposes to smelt the product of their mine at this point. The Projected Roads make it the most convenient receiving and shipping point, and a leading Bank is said to be about to open an Agency, as the employment of the requiaed labor will circulate a no small sum of money each month.

Maps of the District, Subdivision Maps, etc., can be seen and all information as to Prices and Terms obtained on application to

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Estate of William Gibson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Alonzo S. Taylor, of Everett, State of Washington, U S, by order of the Hon. Mr. Justice Walkem, has been appointed to administer, within the Province of British Columbia, the estate of the above-named deceased, who died at Monte Cristo, Snohomish County, State of Washington, on the 22nd day of December, 1895.

All debts owing to the said estate are to be paid, and all claims against the said estate are to be presented duly verified, to the undersigned.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1896.

SAMUEL D. SCHULTZ,
49 Langley street, Victoria, B.C.,
no25 Solicitor for the Administrator.

CANADIAN PACIFIC NAVIGATION COMPANY LTD.

Seven Per Cent. Debentures.

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with the conditions upon which the above-named debentures were issued, a drawing of the debentures to be paid off at par on the 15th day of February next, will take place at the Company's office, Wharf street, Victoria, B.C. on Saturday, the 23rd inst., at 11 a.m.

The numbers of the drawn debentures will be duly advertised for the information of the holders thereof.

F. W. VINCENT,
Secretary.

Wharf Street, Victoria, January 9th 1897. ja12

NOTICE.

In the Matter of the Estate of William Johnson, Deceased.

All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named William Johnson, deceased, are hereby required forthwith to pay, and all persons having any claim against the said estate are required to send particulars thereof duly verified, to the undersigned not later than the 20th day of February, A D. 1897, after which date the Executors will proceed to distribute the estate, having regard to those claims only of which they shall have had notice.

Tenders for the purchase of section ninety-two (92) Lake District, the property of the deceased, will also be received up to the said date, addressed to DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN, Solicitors for the Executors. jal9

In the Matter of the Land Registry Act.

And in the Matter of the Title to Lot 994, in the City of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that Gustav Sutro will be registered as the owner in fee of the above mentioned lot at the expiration of three calendar months from this date if no objection be made to the contrary within that time by some person claiming title to the same.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
January 19th, 1897. j19

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NOTICES.

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NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Dominion Parliament at its next sitting for a private bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of Longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia, with power to construct maintain, and operate branch lines and all necessary bridges, ferries, and wharves, and construct, own, and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own, and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds, and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Government of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation, or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges, and also for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, this 19th day of August, 1896.

DRAKE JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for Applicants.
Victoria, B. C. au23

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, operating and maintaining a railway of standard or narrow guage from a point on the Stikeen river to a point on or near Dease Lake, in the District of Cassiar, with power to extend to the northern and eastern confines of British Columbia, and to construct and operate branch lines, and telegraph and telephone lines, and to construct and maintain wharves, docks, warehouses, and to expropriate lands for the above purposes, together with all other usual, necessary or incidental powers in the premises.

DUMBLETON & INNES,
Solicitors and Agents for Applicants.
Victoria, B.C., January, 1897. ja8

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, at its next session, for an act to incorporate a company for the purpose of acquiring mining rights over unoccupied parts of the Cottonwood river, Cariboo District, and the banks thereof between the points A and B on a plan in the possession of the undersigned; also to divert the water from portions of the bed of said river, and to take, use, appropriate and divert the waters of said Cottonwood river, and of Swift river, Lightning Creek and Chislom Creek, or any tributaries of the same, and to build flumes and lay pipes, and to supply said water for mining, agricultural, manufacturing, electrical, domestic and other purposes, and for other powers and privileges incidental or conducive to the aforesaid objects

Dated this 30th day of December, 1896.

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Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	21·	Mean 25·	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	21·		
9 a.m..	24·	Highest 32·	5 p.m.—Calm.
1 p.m..	31·		1 p.m.—4 N.E.
5 p.m..	30·	Lowest 20·	9 p.m.—Calm.
9 p.m..	23·		Rain—.00.

Average state of weather—Fair.
Sunshine—1 hr., 8 min.
Barometer 9 a.m... Observed.....30.165 Reduced.....30.177
E. BAYNE REED, Observer.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer ISLANDER from Vancouver—J W Gaynes, R Cummel, J Draney, Mrs Post, Miss McDonald, J G Macdonell, Mrs Buckett, C F Jones, Rev Mr McCrossan, Rev A B Winchester, E H Fletcher, J Wilson, G D Scott, A E Rand and wife, T McDonald, R Swallwell, W F Murphy, Robt Wood, Mrs Jennings, C G Major, F T Swift, E Pferdner, H F W Behnsen, H J Craig.

Per steamer SEHOME from the Sound—W J Smith, Mrs Smith and daughter, J Luttman, H McMicken, R Whittfield, G A Davies, J Onadrop, R Sehring, H Bossi, P D E Law, Mrs Parsons, H McCue.

Per steamer ROSALIE from the Sound—Capt Lloyd, C H Lugrin, J C Barrett, T Brophy, A Jones.

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DIED.

GLIDE—At her residence, No. 31 Erie street, after a lingering illness, Ellen, the beloved wife of Henry Glide, a native of St. Andrews, Fifeshire, Scotland, aged 51 years and four months.

Due notice of funeral will be given.

FOR CHEAPNESS And good quality in MONUMENTS see THOMAS BRADBURY, Manufacturer, Cormorant Street.

PERSONAL.

F. T. Swift, of Portland, is at the New England.

Charles Melrose, of Kosilah, is at the Oriental.

A. E. Bailey, of Seattle, is a guest at the New England.

A. A. King and D. A. McKee, of Ladners, are at the Oriental.

A. E. Rand and wife are over from Vancouver, and registered at the Hotel Driard.

W. F. Murphy, of the B. C. Spice Mills Co., Vancouver, is at the New England.

J. Draney, who came down from Vancouver by last night's Islander, is at the Occidental.

Charles H. Lugrin, editor of the COLONIST, returned from Seattle by the Rosalie yesterday.

Post Office Inspector E. H. Fletcher returned last evening from an official visit to the Mainland.

Rev. A. B. Winchester and Rev. T. J. McCrossan returned from the Terminal City yesterday evening.

Dr. H. J. Wasson, of Wellington, returned last night from a visit to California. He is staying at the Driard.

F. G. Watkins, who has been spending several days past at the Oriental, left yesterday for his home in Fairview.

F. W. Fawcett, of this city, and Miss Bricks, of Toronto, are to be united in marriage to-morrow at the home of the bride.

H. F. W. Behnsen and C. F. Jones were among the Victorians returning from the Mainland by last night's Islander.

J. C. Barrett, E. H. Austin and W. Swatson, of San Francisco, arrived from that city yesterday evening, and are at the Driard.

Rheumatism is caused by lactic acid in the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla neutralizes the acid and cures rheumatism.

Will be found an excellent remedy for sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them.

Change of Time.

Beginning Monday, January 4th, the steamer Rosalie will, until further notice, change her time of leaving Victoria to 7:30 a.m. daily except Sunday's. This alteration will enable passengers to reach Seattle at 2:30 every afternoon except Sunday's. Returning, she will leave Seattle daily except Saturday's, at 9:30 p.m.

KOOTENAY RAILWAY.

It Is Discussed by a Public Meeting Held in the City Hall.

Resolution Passed Supporting the Road and Requesting Government Aid to Build It.

The railway meeting in the city hall last night resulted in the adoption of the following resolution, which was moved by Ald. McGregor and seconded by Ald. McCandless.

"That whereas it has been proved that immense deposits of gold, silver and other minerals exist and are being profitably worked in the Kootenays, the Boundary Creek and Similkameen river portions of the province, as well as there being a great deal of first-class agricultural and grazing lands, much of which is occupied by farmers; and whereas there are tens of thousands of miners now employed in the getting of ores from the parts herein named; and whereas the present means of transportation are not commensuate with the requirements of this large mining population, nor even convenient in the general transaction of business; thereby retarding to a great extent the development which would otherwise take place: And whereas, it has been demonstrated by a competent engineer, who has closely examined the proposed route, with the object of constructing a shorter line of railway, via of Hope, Similkameen, Kettle River and Grand Forks, so as to reach the mining centres of Kootenay, and has pronounced it quite feasible: And whereas, in the best interest of these industries and those who follow them, it is absolutely necessary that a line of railway should be built at the earliest possible moment to connect Kootenay by way of Boundary Creek country and Hope with the Coast cities:

"Therefore be it resolved, That this meeting emphatically urge upon the Dominion and Provincial governments that substantial aid should be given to the 'Vancouver, Victoria, Eastern Railway and Navigation Company,' to enable the company to proceed at once with the work herein set forth; and that a copy of this resolution, signed by the Mayor, as chairman, and by the Secretary, and be forwarded to the Dominion and Local governments, as well as to each member representing this city and district, in both the House of Commons and Local Legislature."

When the Mayor called the meeting to order the City Hall was crowded to the doors and it was only at eleven that adjournment was reached owing to the numerous speakers on the programme. On the platform were Hon. J. H. Turner, Senators Macdonald and McInnes, Hon. Col. Prior, M.P.; Messrs. Thomas Earle, M.P.; H. Bostock, M.P.; R. P. Rithet, M.P.P.: D. R. Ker; C. A. Shaw, the engineer of the Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railway: Robert Wood and J. McConnell, of Greenwood; A. L. Belyea, Alds. McGregor and McCandless, and Dr. Milne, one of the chief promoters of the road.

Mayor Redfern in opening the meeting remarked that the whole of the Southern Kootenay trade under present conditions would be lost to the Coast unless some means were devised for more direct communication. It was only fair that the province should reap the benefit of the great mining industry that was growing up in the interior.

Mr. J. McConnell, of Greenwood City, was introduced and very briefly bore testimony to the immense mining resources there that could only be developed by direct railway communication.

He was followed by Mr. Robt. Wood, another of the delegation which had come from the Boundary Creek country, who longed to see the whole people of the province pulling together for the common good. Mr. Wood, to show his position, read a resolution passed by the Boundary Creek Mining and Commercial Association, resolving that he, and Messrs. R. Smailes and Thos. McDonnell should proceed to Victoria for the furtherance of the scheme of railway communication with the district. He concluded a brief speech by saying to the audience, "Union, and get a move on."

Next came Mr. C. E. Shaw, who last year had made the exploratory survey for the proposed Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern Railway from Point Roberts to some point on the Columbia river. The line from Point Roberts to Hope, he said, runs through the Delta and Chilliwack districts and meets with no serious engineering difficulties. In the Hope mountains he found a satisfactory pass, and from there east found a good line down the wide valleys of the Tulamene and Similkameen rivers and one of the tributaries of the latter to Penticton, on Okanagan lake. From the Okanagan valley the line crossed over to the east to the fine valley of Kettle river, which it follows down to Boundary creek, and up the latter to the North Fork of Kettle river, and down the latter to its junction with the main stream, thence following the valley of the latter east to Christena creek, where it turns to the north and east, and works its way through a rugged but highly mineralized range of mountains to the Columbia river about 425 miles in all.

The greater portion of the line would be of easy construction, there would be of course some heavy work in places, but the cost of the line will be much less than an equal length of the C. P. R. through the mountains, while the grades at no point on the line would exceed one-half those the C. P. R. has to contend with, and the absence of snow and rock slides will make the line much easier to operate.

In reply to Hon. Col. Prior, Mr. Shaw stated that he had found a feasible route through the Hope mountains, and that there were no grades more than 2 or 2½ per cent, and no tunnelling was required. The length of the road would be 425 miles, and the cost was estimated at $12,000,000.

Mr. A. L. Belyea expressed himself while not in favor of government ownership of railways, in favor of government supervision. He hoped that the Dominion and Provincial governments would both see to it that if the road was built the company could not transfer it to the C.P.R. for operation. He did not think that this was the only line of railway that demanded attention to-day, for there was in the northern part of the province as well as the southern mineral that would make this province great, and without which their agricultural resources could not amount to what they otherwise would.

Dr. G. L. Milne explained that the Fraser Valley railway and the Vancouver & Kootenay railway had joined forces to ask for a charter. The idea was to have a ferry from Sidney to Port Roberts, and he hoped when this road was built a passenger could leave Victoria at 7 in the morning and reach Rossland at midnight. He for one was quite willing that the government should have control of the railway, and his intention was to see it independent of the C.P.R. The route was not a difficult one, no grade being over two or two and a half per cent. If the Crow's Nest Pass road was built the trade would be diverted to the East, unless the people of British Columbia had a road to the Coast. He was glad that the people of British Columbia were united in pressing on the Dominion and local governments the desirability of this road, and he believed it would be built in two years.

Mr. D. R. Ker, president of the board of trade, was only too pleased to speak on a proposition which no one was more eager to see carried out than he was. The value of the Kootenay trade was instanced by the growth of the City of Spokane to-day. Now if is was possible to bring Kootenay in touch with the Coast he would be delighted to see it accomplished. Mr. Shaw had told them that the line was quite feasible, and he was sure Mr. Shaw would not say that unless he was prepared to back it up. The next thing was how was that road to be constructed. He had hoped to hear to-night from Dr. Milne how it was proposed to do this. The line must be constructed at the lowest possible cost, and must carry freight at the lowest possible rate. If it came down to a demand that the government was to be asked to guarantee the whole cost, then he was in favor of the government doing the building themselves. Knowing the immense wealth of that district it was the part of the government to take up a vigorous railway policy.

Dr. Milne, in explanation to Mr. Ker, stated that the promoters had to meet the Provincial and Dominion governments to see what form of assistance they were prepared to give. For his part he was opposed to a land grant. He believed if the road could be built by money borrowed at 3 or 3½ per cent. on the guarantee of the government that would be the most economical method that could be pursued. The proposition he would insist on was to build the road in the cheapest possible way, giving the government control of the rates.

Ald. McGregor then moved the above resolution, seconded by Ald. McCandless.

Ald. McCandless in seconding the resolution, said he believed it to be in the greatest interest of the people of British Columbia. Knowing the interior country as he did, he was sure that the road would from the time it was built pay interest on the cost. The road would be a boon to the Fraser river country, which would be able to ship in all the agricultural produce that could be raised. This road, too, owing to its shortness, would be a great thing to the Coast, giving as it would greater facilities for travel than over the present routes. The meeting to-night was more for saying that such a road should be built than how it was to be built. He believed in government control of the road and hoped that personalities and politics would not be brought up in this matter, but that all the people would pull together for the common good.

Hon. J. H. Turner, upon being asked to speak, remarked that he had received an invitation the previous evening to be present and express his views. It was a difficult thing in so short a time to prepare any elaborate speech, on so important a subject. He would say at once that the government were impressed with the importance of building great public works for the development of the country, and the most important of these were the railways. He might mention that, directly or indirectly, there were before the government applications from railways for guarantees of 4 per cent. on $40,000,000. This very fact showed that the government must investigate each of these roads very carefully, and it would require the greatest exercise of good judgment to say which was the most important for the province. He recognized that the road they were now speaking of was a very important one, and there was still another road which he thought would do more good to the province than this one. He could in a very few words point out some very important lines, one that would open up the Cariboo country. There was also an application for more northerly lines in the Yukon country whose trade could be captured by the Coast cities, and more particularly by Victoria. With all this in view, it was the duty of the government to assist the railways in the best way possible. In looking at this question the province, he might point out was in a different position than if it had control of the customs duties and internal revenue. The taxpayers of British Columbia paid into the provincial treasury $8.40 per head, he showed, while they paid to the Dominion $18.60. Therefore it was evident that the Dominion benefited more speedily from the increase of population than did the province itself, and it was, therefore, only right that the Dominion should assist the province in building railways, and the people of the province should back the government up in having the Dominion subsidize railways. He mentioned incidentally that that day he had received word from London that British Columbia stock was selling for 102 ex dividend, really making the price 103½. That would show the favorable condition in which the provincial credit stood in the money markets of the world. The premier also mentioned the mineral tax, saying that the mines should pay their fair share to the revenue of the country, and remarked that this was recognized by the leading mining men themselves. In concluding, he remarked that the province must keep within its possibilities, but, backed up by the Dominion Government, he hardly knew where those possibilities ended. (Applause.)

Hon. Col. Prior, M. P., thought that this railway was a matter that appealed to everyone in the province, it behoved every man, rich or poor, to put his shoulder to the wheel and put Victoria where she should be. In this matter no politics should be talked, but Liberal and Conservative should work for the benefit of the city and the province at large. (Applause.) As the previous speakers showed the province had the chance of a life time. It was not for him to say what the provincial government would do, and it was not for him to say what the Dominion government would do, but he would say that any measure which the Liberal government brought in for the benefit of British Columbia would have his hearty support. People in the East when they saw a little gold coming out of the mountains would do their best to get some of that gold themselves. They would do their level best to have the Crow's Nest Pass road built, and built it would be; and if there was no road from Kootenay to the Coast the cities here might say good-bye to the trade. He pointed out that they must not forget that there was another road that would be of even greater benefit—the road that Mr. Rithet hoped to see built. If good schemes are put before the government he felt sure they would do their best for both roads, and he would say the same of the Dominion government. He would do his very best for British Columbia in the House at Ottawa to see that assistance was given for B. C. roads, and he closed by impressing on every man in the province to do his best for the country.

Mr. Thomas Earle, M.P., who followed, claimed that by right we on the Coast should be in a position to share in the benefits of the Kootenay trade, and the only way to do this was by the construction of a road something such as was spoken of to-night. It therefore behooved the Coast people to see that this trade was secured before it was taken away in another direction. He was pleased to hear from Hon. Mr. Turner that the policy of the government was towards a progressive railway policy. At the same time, as the Kootenay road was being considered, they must not lose sight of the fact there was another road of paramount importance to the Coast—the railway through the northern portion of the province. He promised his support in parliament to any railroad for the benefit of British Columbia, and was glad to hear that the present Dominion government were going to reverse the policy they pursued when they were formerly in power, and do their best to open up the West. There was a great deal in the point that Hon. Mr. Turner made, that any help that the Dominion gave should be in greater ratio than the local government should be expected to give, and he would for one urge it on them to render assistance towards the development of the province. He was more than pleased to hear from Mr. Shaw a statement that had been contradicted by the minister of marine and fisheries when he was here—that there was a feasible route through the Hope mountains, and now that this route was found feasible no time should be lost in building the road.

Mr. R. P. Rithet was fully in accord with having greater railway facilities with the interior in all parts of the province. This road commended itself to him to a greater extent than he had anticipated it would. The time had arrived when something must be done, and it was the duty of the Government to put the necessary steps for building these roads in active operation at once. Whether these roads were to be under private or under government ownership did not matter so long as they were undertaken immediately. The development of Kootenay would go on doubling for years to come, and under such conditions he could not see how there should be any more delay. He had some misgivings as to whether it would so greatly benefit the Fraser valley by connecting it with the upper country, for, he pointed out, that in the interior of the States to the south they had a surplus of farm produce which they could ship to the southern interior of the province cheaply. There was one special reason, however, for immediate action, and that was to get as quickly as possible railway communication with Boundary creek, before the Americans got a hold on the market. This could be done by the immediate construction of the portion of the road from Penticton east to Boundary creek. That would give communication by way of the C.P.R. to Sicamous then by the Shuswap & Okanagan to Vernon, then by water to Penticton and by rail to Boundary creek. While we had an enormous country and only a part of it opened up, it seemed a question whether it was prudent to give two lines when there was one line already to Rossland. They must not forget that while Rossland was a very important point, Revelstoke, or some place in the Slocan, might turn out just as important. He mentioned this for information and not from a desire to throw cold water on their scheme. There was no use blinding themselves to the fact of Spokane's position, and the only thing the Coast cities could hope to do was to secure such business as prices and business principles would enable them to secure. He thought some general railway policy should be taken up by the government. Instead of a wagon road, a railway should be built from Penticton into the Boundary Creek country. He went on to point out that while the Dominion government were taking $850,000 out of the province over their expenditure here it seemed to him that it only wanted decided action on the part of the provincial government to get the Dominion government to come forward and assist to build these railways that were so urgently needed. He hoped that when the scheme for this railway did come before the legislature it would be so reasonable that it could be supported. He would say plainly, however, that if more was asked than half the cost in guarantees or cash that it would be better for the government to undertake the work themselves.

Mr. Rithet touched next briefly on the British Pacific. That scheme had lain dormant for a year, but he had meanwhile not been idle. He had now so endeavored to modify it that it would commend itself to the government, and when it did come up, and if a public meeting had to be called, he hoped the people would stay by their first love under all circumstances.

Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, M.P.P., who spoke briefly, said the scheme was one that deserved careful attention. They had come here to listen to the policy of the provincial government, and it was all very well to say they must look to the Dominion government first, but at the same time it was paramount for the provincial government to inaugurate such encouragement as would place the promoters in a position to go before the money markets of the world. The time was ripe for immediate action, and from what they had heard to-night he believed it would be very profitable for the provincial government to open another portfolio—a minister of railways. He was entirely in accord with the remarks made by Mr. Rithet, that whenever any railway project for the benefit of the province came before them it would have his entire endorsation.

Mr. H. Bostock, M.P., spoke in favor of the railway development of British Columbia. The most important part that this railway would open up was the Boundary Creek country, he believed. That was one of the strongest points in favor of that railway. He quite agreed with Mr. Rithet that a railway policy should be formulated by the provincial government for the whole province and to develop the province in a systematic way. He was quite sure that the Dominion government would be only too willing to come to their assistance and do all that they could.

Mr. John Grant, with the assistance of a pointer and a map, showed the advantages and resources of the route, and drew an eloquent verbal picture of the time when the snort of the iron horse would induce the sound of the stamp-mill by every brookside, and the smoke of the smelter would curl skyward.

The motion was about to be put when Mr. A. H. Scaife moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Howard Chapman, that "the road be built by the government as a provincial undertaking."

The chairman decided that this was not an amendment, but a substantive motion, so the main resolution was put and was carried with—one dissent. Mr. Scaife thereupon withdrew his motion and the meeting adjourned.

FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

Narrow Escape of the Canadian Minister of Militia—Two Lives Lost—The Intercolonial the Scene.

ST. JOHN, N.B., Jan. 26.—The Pacific express from Halifax for Montreal left the rails on the Intercolonial railway and went down an embankment near Dorchester, N.B., about noon to-day. Postal Clerk Arthur Edgecombe, of St. John, and Mrs. Pattrequin, of Bloomfield, N.B., are reported killed. James Linklatter, brakeman, was seriously injured. Among the others more or less injured, although not seriously, are Hon. Dr. Borden, minister of militia, who went on to Ottawa; Senator Wood, Charles Fawcett, Sackville, N.B.; E. J. Smith, Dominion Express agent; Chas. Thompson, a train hand; and the Pullman car porter, whose name is not given.

INJURED AT A FIRE.

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—Seven firemen and two spectators were badly hurt at a fire which destroyed the Williams block at 196 and 202 Monroe street this evening. The total damage to the building and contents is estimated at $386,000.

"HUMANITY" closed in this city last evening with a good performance to an appreciative house. To-night Vancouverites will have the show.

THE Behring sea claims commission adjourned almost immediately after the commissioners had taken their seats yesterday.

Overcoats very cheap; some great bargains, at Freeman's old stand. x

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GRAND GUESSING CONTEST
Every purchaser of 25 cents worth of goods is entitled to one guess at the WEIGHT OF THE LUMP OF ORE displayed in the window.
The Nearest Guess Entitled to $50.00
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Contest open till the 30th April, 1897.
WELSBACH LAMPS, COMPLETE, $3.50. THEY ARE THE BEST.
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"Flat-tread" Shape
Best for feet which are long from ball to toe, and short from heel to ball. Ordinary Shoes curve upwards too sharply for such feet, bending them injuriously. Full ridged box toe, slightly curving sides, and stylish effect. Laced, Buttoned, Congress, or Oxford. Black—Tan—Seal Brown—Carmine—Wine. Sizes, 5 to 11 Widths, D. to E.E. Goodyear Welted. $3.50, $4.50, $5.50 on the sole.
CATALOGUE FREE "The Slater Shoe"
MAKERS MONTREAL
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It is no wonder that rubbers, which are not the same shape as the boot, should be uncomfortable. It costs money to employ skilled pattern makers but the result is a satisfactory fit. Each year new patterns are added, to fit all the latest shoe-shapes, and Granby Rubbers are always "up-to-date." They are honestly made of pure rubber, thin, light, elastic, durable, extra thick at ball and heel.
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AMUSEMENTS.

VANCOUVER POULTRY, DOG AND PET STOCK SHOW,

To be held at Vancouver from Tuesday, February 9th, to Friday 12th, inclusive. Prizes, $100. Judge of poultry, Sharp Butterfield; judge of dogs being arranged for. Prize lists and entry forms may be obtained from, and entries made with E. Galloway, assistant superintendent, at the Arcade News Stand, or M. C. McLEAN, 1820 Westminster Avenue, Secretary; or W. J. Corbett, New Westminster. ja23

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Under the management of Mrs. R. C. Davies (formerly of Victoria Gardens) is fast regaining its old standard as a first-class place. Commercial lunch served in the very best style every day from 12 till 2, 25c. Our dinners cannot be excelled in Victoria.
Private Dinners and Banquets a specialty. Comfortable rooms to rent with or without board. ja20

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

Nevada Wants the Sloggers—Victoria College to Play the Y. M. C. A.'s—"Intermediates" Meet.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA COLLEGE VS. Y.M.C.A.

A friendly game has been arranged between these clubs for Saturday next at the College grounds, Beacon Hill, commencing at 2:45 sharp. The game will be a close one, as in the last game Y.M.C.A. won by the even score of 3 to 2, the College leading 2 to 1 until the last ten minutes. The Y.M.C.A. team will be as follows: Goal, R. Lorimer; backs, F. Cullin and W. York; halfbacks, Walter Winsby, W. A. Lorimer (captain) and H. V. Scott; forwards, W. Noot, J. R. Noot, J. W. Lorimer, W. N. Winsby and L. York; reserves, W. McKeown and H. L. Holden.

TO MEET ON SATURDAY.

The British Columbia Intermediate Football Association meets in the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Saturday evening to make arrangements for the final match of the season.

ATHLETICS.

THE CAPITAL ATHLETES ENTERTAIN.

The Capital Athletic Club give an exhibition and dance in the A.O.U.W. hall this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock. The exhibition should prove very attractive, as the boys have been practising hard for to make the affair a success.

THE RING.

NEVADA WILL OPEN THE DOORS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 26.—The Corbett-Fitzsimmons glove fight takes place in the proximity of one of the three Nevada towns, viz.: Carson, Reno or Virginia City. A bill permitting such affairs has been introduced in the assembly at Carson City, and there is every indication that it will become law within the next day or two.

THE AUSTRALIAN MURDERER.

Arrival of Another N.S.W. Detective to Take Him in Charge.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 26.—Detective John Roche, of the Sydney, N.S.W., police, arrived here to-day via London and Washington, and will join the police who are now awaiting the arrival of the murderer Butler, on the Swanhilda. The cutter Perry, which has been lying at Meigg's wharf for two weeks or more in order to take the officers out as soon as the Swanhilda shall be sighted, has been ordered to Astoria.

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